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ABSTRACT

Application of three-dimensional inviscid and viscous (laminar boundary layer) analyses for cold wall hypersonic flows over sharp cones at incidence is presented relative to experimental data, showing surface upwash angles and entrained vortex formation leading to crossflow-induced boundary-layer transition. Three-dimensional neutral inviscid stability theory for stationary disturbances is used to calculate the angular orientation of the entrained vortices in the boundary layer while a maximum crossflow Reynolds number concept is applied for correlation of the onset to vortex formation due to crossflow instability. In general, excellent agreement between boundary-layer theory and experiment is obtained relative to surface upwash angles. The inviscid stability theory yields reasonable estimates for the vortex angular orientation while the correlation of distance to onset of vortex formation by a critical maximum crossflow Reynolds number concept is in good agreement with previous investigations on swept cylinders and wings under subsonic and supersonic conditions. The calculated surface upwash angle and maximum crossflow Reynolds number are found to be sensitive to wall temperature effects with the larger values of the angle or crossflow Reynolds number occurring with the hotter wall.

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NOMENCLATURE

A	Composite stability parameter from Eq. (45) in Reshotko (Ref. 37)
A_c	Critical value of composite stability parameter
c	Disturbance propagation velocity
c_i	Imaginary part of disturbance propagation velocity
c_r	Real part of disturbance propagation velocity
F	Fluctuating quantity
f	Amplitude of fluctuating quantity
L	Slant length of sharp cone
M_∞	Free-stream Mach number
p_e	Static pressure at outer edge of boundary layer
p_∞	Free-stream static pressure
R	Specific gas constant for air, $1716 \text{ ft}^2/\text{sec}^2 \cdot ^\circ\text{R}$
Re_{ref}	Reference Reynolds number from Eq. (35) in Reshotko (Ref. 37)

$Re_{\infty, L}$	Free-stream Reynolds number, $\rho_{\infty} V_{\infty} L / \mu_{\infty}$
T	Static temperature
T_e	Static temperature at outer edge of boundary layer
T_0	Stagnation temperature
T_w	Wall temperature
\bar{T}	Static temperature ratio, T/T_e
\bar{T}_c	Critical value of static temperature ratio, T_c/T_e
t	Time
U_e	Streamwise velocity component at outer edge of boundary layer
u	Streamwise velocity component
\bar{u}	Streamwise velocity component ratio, u/U_e
\bar{u}_c	Critical value of streamwise velocity component ratio, u_c/U_e
V_{∞}	Free-stream velocity
v	Normal velocity component
W_e	Crossflow velocity component at outer edge of boundary layer
\bar{W}	Composite dimensionless velocity from Eq. (24) in Reshotko (Ref. 37)
w	Crossflow velocity component
$w_{s\ell, \max}$	Maximum value of crossflow velocity component in streamline coordinate system
\bar{w}	Crossflow velocity component ratio, w/W_e
\bar{w}_c	Critical value of crossflow velocity component ratio, w_c/W_e
x	Coordinate along body surface in streamwise velocity direction
$x_{s\ell}$	Coordinate along body surface in outer edge streamline direction
$y, y_{s\ell}$	Coordinate normal to body surface

y_c	Critical height
z	Coordinate along body surface in crossflow velocity direction
$z_{s\ell}$	Coordinate along body surface perpendicular to outer edge streamline direction
α	Angle of attack
a_d	Disturbance wave number, $2\pi/\lambda$
γ	Ratio of specific heats, 1.40
δ	Boundary-layer thickness
δ_v	Sharp cone semivertex angle
ϵ_i	Inviscid surface upwash angle
ϵ_s	Surface upwash angle
ϵ_v	Vortex angle
θ	Angle of wave propagation direction relative to x-axis
θ_c	Critical angle of wave propagation direction relative to x-axis
λ	Disturbance wavelength
μ_e	Viscosity at outer edge of boundary layer
μ_∞	Free-stream viscosity
π	Pi, 3.14159
ρ_e	Density at outer edge of boundary layer
ρ_∞	Free-stream density
ϕ	Circumferential body surface coordinate
X_{\max}	Maximum crossflow Reynolds number, $\rho_e w_{s\ell, \max} \delta / \mu_e$
ψ	Angle between resultant external velocity and x-axis

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c	At critical height, y_c
d	Disturbance
e	Outer edge of boundary layer
i	Imaginary part; inviscid
L	Based on slant length of sharp cone
max	Maximum value
o	Total or stagnation
r	Real part
ref	Reference value
s	Surface
sl	Streamline coordinate system
v	Vortex
w	Wall
∞	Free-stream condition

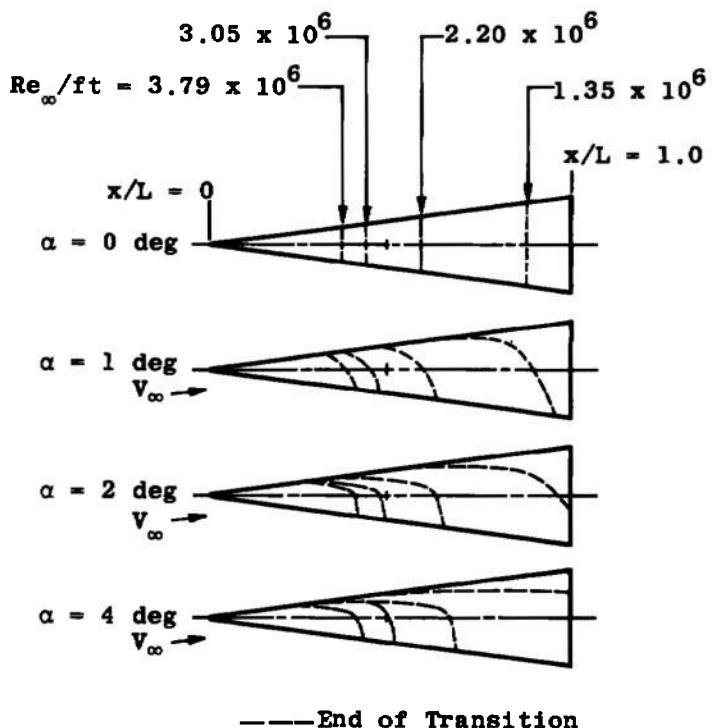
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'	Derivative with respect to y
—	Nondimensional quantity

SECTION I INTRODUCTION

The laminar boundary layer on a sharp cone at incidence is of practical importance in several applications, such as high-speed aircraft and lifting reentry vehicles. For lifting reentry in particular, a knowledge of the full three-dimensional boundary-layer properties is essential for accurately estimating the local heat-transfer and skin-friction distributions around the vehicle, including the determination of separated flow regions. In addition, information yielding the surface streamline direction of the three-dimensional boundary-layer flow is needed in order to ascertain boundary-layer influence on vehicle control surfaces.

Existing flight test data and recent ground test data (Refs. 1, 2, 3, and 4) have indicated that boundary-layer transition, as well as spatial distribution of the transition front, can have significant effect on the aerodynamic behavior of slender conical reentry bodies at incidence. Under certain free-stream conditions for hypersonic flow over a sharp cone at incidence, transition from laminar to turbulent boundary-layer flow follows the spatial distribution shown below taken from Ref. 4 for a 7.2-deg, half-angle sharp cone at free-stream Mach number eight and cold wall conditions.



In general, with increasing angle of attack the above-indicated transition movement undergoes a much more rapid forward progression on the leeward side than the rearward progression for the windward side. However, under other free-stream conditions, onset

to transition does not occur along the windward ray as indicated above but begins at some angular location off the windward ray with the appearance of streamwise-directed vortices entrained within the boundary layer (see Ref. 5 for excellent photographic documentation of this phenomenon based on hypersonic wind tunnel tests of a nonablating sharp cone at incidence). Additional results from Ref. 5 concerning wind tunnel tests of ammonium-chloride ablating cones clearly reveal upwash groove patterns eroded in the model surface. These results were interpreted in Ref. 5 to be the result of vortices intensifying local heating rates which, as the work by Persen (Refs. 6 and 7) clearly shows, is certainly plausible. The upward inclination of the grooves on the ablating cones agreed closely with the inclination of the vortex paths measured on the nonablating cones using an oil-film technique under similar test conditions. Furthermore, the upward inclination of the vortices was considerably less than the inclination of surface streamlines in laminar flow but somewhat greater than the calculated inviscid upwash angle at the outer edge of the boundary layer. The important point to be gained from the above discussion of experimental results is that entrained vortices are formed under certain conditions in the three-dimensional laminar boundary layer on a sharp cone at incidence in a hypersonic flow under cold wall conditions. This vortex formation apparently signals the onset to three-dimensional crossflow-induced transition of the boundary layer from laminar to turbulent flow. It should be pointed out that this entrained vortex phenomenon is not limited to sharp cone flows but has been observed on spherically blunted cones as well (see Ref. 8).

In order to gain some insight into the physical processes causing vortex formation and crossflow-induced boundary-layer transition, an accurate knowledge of the influence of crossflow effects on the three-dimensional laminar boundary layer is essential. The mathematical theory of the three-dimensional laminar boundary layer as formulated by Moore (Ref. 9) and Hayes (Ref. 10) has been available for about twenty years. Only within the past four years, however, have accurate numerical integration techniques utilizing high-speed, large-memory digital computers become readily available for application to the three-dimensional boundary-layer problem. The reader is referred to the works of Der and Raetz (Ref. 11), Cooke (Ref. 12), Hall (Ref. 13), Powers, Niemann, and Der (Ref. 14), Der (Ref. 15), Dwyer (Refs. 16 and 17), Dwyer and McCroskey (Ref. 18), Krause (Ref. 19), Krause, Hirschel, and Bothmann (Refs. 20, 21, and 22), Boericke (Ref. 23), Vvedenskaya (Ref. 24), and McGowan and Davis (Ref. 25) for further study concerning the available analysis techniques for the complete three-dimensional laminar boundary-layer equations.

The present report will be devoted to application of three-dimensional inviscid and laminar viscous analyses for cold wall hypersonic flows over sharp cones at incidence, and comparison with experimental data that show upwash angles and entrained vortex formation leading to crossflow-induced boundary-layer transition. Three-dimensional neutral inviscid stability theory for stationary disturbances is used to calculate the angular orientation of the entrained vortices within the boundary layer in conjunction with application of a critical maximum crossflow Reynolds number concept for correlation of the onset to vortex formation due to crossflow instability. Effects of wall temperature on surface upwash angles and maximum crossflow Reynolds numbers are presented relative to ground testing of slender cones at incidence under hot wall conditions in hypersonic wind tunnels.

SECTION II

ENTRAINED VORTEX FORMATION

IN THE LAMINAR BOUNDARY LAYER

The present study is devoted to analysis of experimental measurements revealing formation of entrained vortices in the three-dimensional laminar boundary layers on sharp cones at incidence in hypersonic flow. In order to understand physically how and when these entrained vortices appear in the laminar boundary layer, the present section is devoted to:

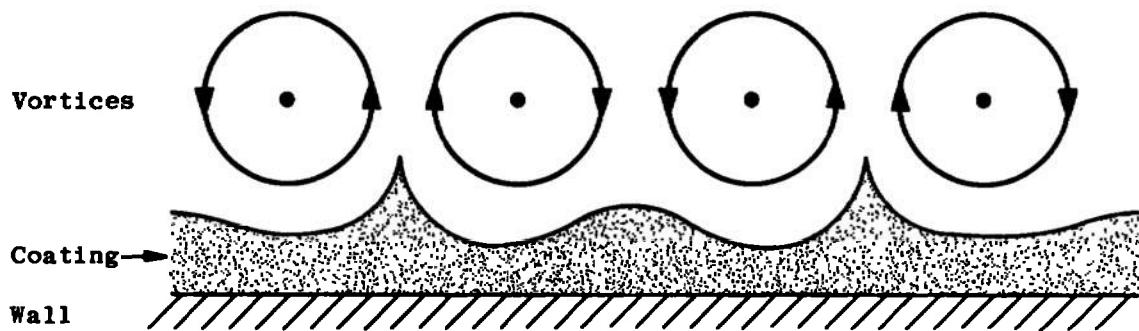
1. Review of recent literature on the cross-hatching phenomenon since the formation of entrained vortices in the boundary layer apparently is connected with the origin of cross-hatching.
2. Formulation of three-dimensional neutral inviscid stability theory for stationary disturbances with application to the calculation of angular direction for stationary vortex orientation in the boundary layer.
3. Application of the critical maximum local crossflow Reynolds number concept to the correlation of onset to vortex formation in the three-dimensional laminar boundary layer.

2.1 FORMATION OF ENTRAINED VORTICES AND THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CROSS-HATCHING PHENOMENON

The appearance of streamwise vortices entrained in the laminar boundary layer as discussed in Section I is not a new phenomenon but is, in fact, well-known and well-documented with respect to the cross-hatching problem. Wilkins (Ref. 26) and Wilkins and Tauber (Ref. 27) noted the formation of streamwise directed grooves in the surface of recovered models from ballistic-range tests. Larson and Mateer (Ref. 28) showed that the cross-hatching process appeared to originate at or just after the end of boundary-layer transition in a supersonic flow. Whether ablation itself was a necessary condition for cross-hatching or merely a means of recording the event could not be determined. The paper by Canning, Tauber, Wilkins, and Chapman (Ref. 29) cites experimental evidence for the presence of arrays of stationary vortices, and it is conjectured that the presence of these vortices may be connected with the origin of cross-hatching. Furthermore, the cross-hatch spiral angle is shown to correlate well with the boundary-layer edge Mach angle up to an edge Mach number of approximately two. For higher edge Mach numbers the cross-hatch spiral angle is greater than the edge Mach angle, suggesting that the disturbance causing the standing-wave system responsible for the cross-hatching can be near the edge or deeper within the boundary layer as the edge Mach number increases. The extensive study by Laganelli and Nestler (Ref. 30) using wind tunnel and rocket exhaust models constructed from various materials (Teflon[®], phenolic nylon, carbon phenolic, and wood) as well as recovered flight vehicles shows clearly that the cross-hatching pattern phenomenon is not limited to melting ablaters but also occurs in charring and subliming materials. In general, the experimental evidence indicates that the formation of cross-hatched patterns requires a supersonic turbulent boundary layer, and can be promoted by longitudinal grooving, surface roughness, and mass addition.

Based on the above-discussed experimental results, Tobak (Ref. 31) has postulated a hypothesis for the origin of cross-hatching based on the presence of an array of stationary vortices entrained within the boundary layer which, in turn, implies the presence of standing waves capable of producing the cross-hatch patterns. His hypothesis may be summarized as follows: Cross-hatching is the result of spatially periodic variations in surface pressure in both the spanwise and longitudinal directions. The source of the pressure variations is the presence within the boundary layer of an array of regularly spaced counterrotating stationary vortices. These vortices originate from surface irregularities near the leading edge of the body; the probability of their appearance is enhanced by the existence of small amounts of concave curvature of the boundary-layer streamlines. Surface ablation is not a necessary condition for the presence of the pressure variations that lead to cross-hatching, but may serve as the mechanism causing the streamline curvature and as a means of reinforcing and spreading the cross-hatch pattern once it appears.

The key point in all of the above is the formation of stationary vortices within the boundary layer. Persen (Ref. 32) has compiled an excellent survey of experimental evidence of the appearance of streamwise-directed vortices in fluid flow. Most experiments aimed at visualizing the streamwise vortices are in one way or another relying on an effect schematically exhibited below.



The oil-flow technique, such as used by McDevitt and Mellenthin (Ref. 5), is based on the principle that liquids coated on the surface of a body in a flow field will move in the same way as the fluid flow at the surface. In use of this technique, built-up ridges in the manner schematically indicated above represent evidence that streamwise directed vortices are present in the flow. As discussed by Persen (Ref. 32) the following features of the vortex system must be considered as experimentally proven:

1. The sidewise location of each vortex is fixed and exhibits a remarkable stability in the region where they are pronounced.
2. The vortex system breaks up further downstream. Two conclusions can be drawn from this observation:
 - a. The vortex characteristics must be a function of the streamwise coordinate, and the changes which appear with increasing distance

must be such that the vortex becomes unstable and breaks down introducing a highly irregular motion (turbulence).

- b. The vortex system seems to be in an intermediate state which, in view of stability theory, is introduced between a laminar motion upstream and the turbulent motion downstream.
- 3. In the two-dimensional cases the vortices seem to be confined into "boxes" of constant width λ in the crosswise direction to the main flow direction which is sometimes referred to as a "selective wavelength". The height of these "boxes" is a function of the streamwise coordinate.
- 4. The wavelength λ does not depend on the type of disturbance which may have initiated the creation of the vortex system. The wavelength is probably determined by a stability condition.

For the purposes of the current investigation the important point from the above discussion is simply that the origin of the vortex system seems to be directly related to the onset of transition in the boundary layer.

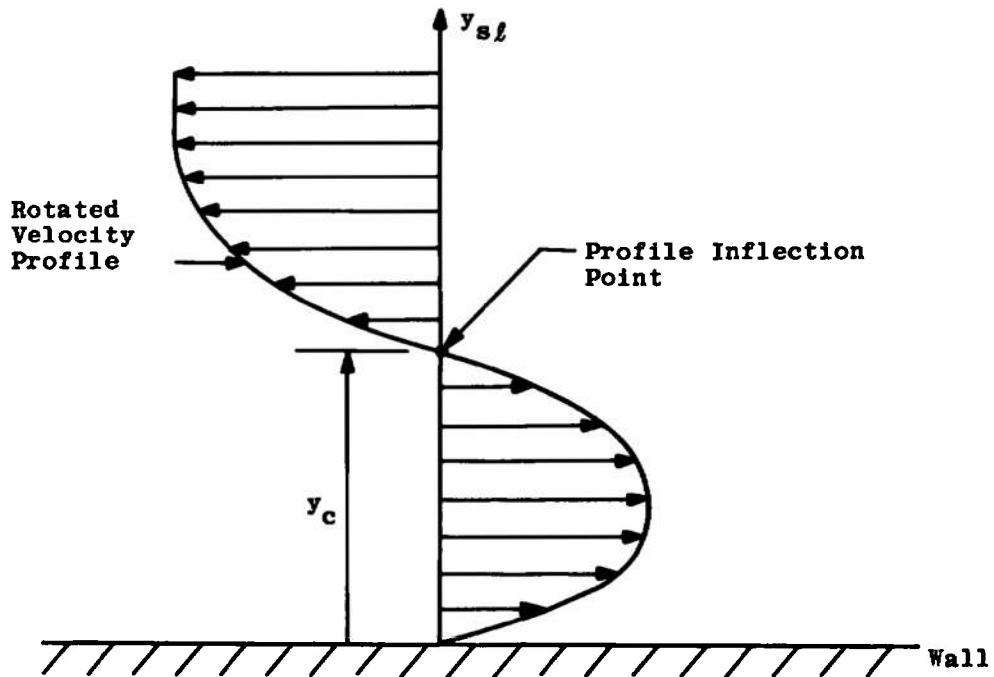
2.2 THREE-DIMENSIONAL BOUNDARY-LAYER STABILITY THEORY

Boundary-layer stability theory cannot currently be used to predict either the nonlinear details of the boundary-layer transition process or the location of transition onset. Stability theory can, however, establish which laminar boundary-layer profiles are unstable and the initial amplification rates of specific critical frequencies. A good and current review of the analytical methods used to attempt prediction of the location of transition from stability theory is presented by Jaffe, Okamura, and Smith (Ref. 33). However, it is to be emphasized that a thorough study of the connection between stability and transition still remains to be completed. For the reader interested in general study of modern boundary-layer stability theory using digital computer techniques, the author highly recommends the excellent comprehensive survey by Mack (Ref. 34). For an overview of the complete stability problem with emphasis on hypersonically traveling bodies, see the recent report by Morkovin (Ref. 35).

With respect to three-dimensional boundary-layer stability theory, the three-dimensional nature of the boundary-layer velocity profiles plays a crucial role. Referring to Fig. 1 (Appendix I), the velocity vector at a position $x_s\varrho, z_s\varrho$ of the surface is seen to twist out of the plane defined by the normal direction $y_s\varrho$ and by the outer streamline, i.e., by the $x_s\varrho$ -direction. With the aid of the decomposition of the twisted vector family on the streamwise $x_s\varrho-y_s\varrho$ tangential plane and the $y_s\varrho-z_s\varrho$ crossflow plane, one can begin to visualize the three-dimensional vorticity distribution which ultimately feeds the unstable vorticity disturbances and which may be thought of as a superposition of Fourier components of all orientations for the disturbances at the given point $x_s\varrho, z_s\varrho$. However, as one proceeds to the neighboring points the local orientation of the wavefront may change because of nonuniformity of the crossflow. In other words, from a global view, the wavefronts of a given family may be curved. One should examine the

eigenvalue problem and local amplification rates in all these possible directions and find that direction in which the profile is first unstable and that in which it has maximum amplification at a higher Reynolds number. The wave disturbances with the front parallel to the $z_s\varrho$ -axis in Fig. 1 correspond to the normal two-dimensional Tollmien-Schlichting waves with their viscosity-induced relatively low amplifications. The wave disturbances with a wavefront along the $x_s\varrho$ -axis are primarily sensitive to the crossflow velocity profile $w_s\varrho$. Figure 1 shows that this profile has a point of inflection indicating the possibility of a more rapid inviscid amplification along that direction (see Section III-2 of Ref. 35 for clarification).

In Part II of the paper by Gregory, Stuart, and Walker (Ref. 36), Stuart shows that the presence of these inflection points makes possible a meaningful simplification of the governing stability equations, namely the inviscid approximation. He singles out a plane rotated past the crossflow plane of Fig. 1 in which the point of inflection of the rotated velocity profile coincides with the $y_s\varrho$ -axis in Fig. 1, i.e., has zero velocity with respect to the wall at a height y_c as illustrated schematically below.



Roughly, amplification of that family of waves corresponds to an increasing concentration of vorticity oriented perpendicularly to that special plane at a height y_c . Because of the vanishing relative velocity, this vorticity concentration will form a stationary wave and can be made visible by sublimation, oil-flow, or smoke techniques. It is this type stationary wave which is observed as streaks in the oil-flow results of Ref. 5 and the china-clay results of Ref. 36.

The theoretical background for stability analysis of three-dimensional compressible boundary layers has been formulated by Reshotko (Ref. 37) based on his earlier analysis (Ref. 38) of the two-dimensional compressible boundary-layer stability characteristics. For Reynolds numbers sufficiently large that the dissipation terms in the disturbance energy equation are negligible, the stability of a three-dimensional boundary layer to a plane-wave disturbance of arbitrary orientation is shown to reduce to a two-dimensional stability problem governed by the boundary-layer velocity profile in the direction of wave propagation and by the mean temperature profile.

As discussed in Section III of Ref. 38, the governing disturbance equations of boundary-layer stability theory are regular everywhere except in the limit $y_s \varrho \rightarrow \infty$, and the solutions of these equations are analytic functions of a_d (wave number of the disturbance), c (propagation velocity of the disturbance), and a Reynolds number Re_{ref} based on a reference length for all finite values of these parameters. The quantity $(a_d Re_{ref})^{-1}$ appears in the disturbance equations as a parameter multiplying the highest order derivatives, and hence the method of asymptotic expansions valid for $(a_d Re_{ref}) \gg 1$ may be applied by division of the disturbances into slowly varying solutions that are largely inviscid across the entire flow and "viscous" rapidly varying functions near the surface. The resulting disturbance equations obtained by taking the limit as $(a_d Re_{ref}) \rightarrow \infty$ are called the inviscid equations since they are identical with the equations obtained by ignoring altogether viscosity and thermal conductivity.

Consider a point on the surface of a body on which there develops a three-dimensional boundary layer. It is assumed that the profile of the steady laminar boundary layer is known at this point in terms of the component profiles in two mutually orthogonal surface coordinate directions x and z as shown in Fig. 2. The velocities in the x - and z -directions are u and w , respectively. The resultant external velocity $\sqrt{U_e^2 + W_e^2}$ makes an angle $\psi = \tan^{-1}(W_e/U_e)$ with the x -axis. Now examine the disturbance taken to be an oblique plane wave propagating at an angle θ relative to the x -direction. Any fluctuating quantity F (velocity, temperature, density, etc.) may be described by the complex relation (see Ref. 38 for clarification)

$$F(x,y,z,t) = f(y) \exp [ia_d (x \cos \theta + z \sin \theta - ct)] \quad (1)$$

where $f(y)$ denotes the fluctuation amplitude, a_d the wave number of the disturbance, and c the disturbance propagation velocity. The wave number a_d is considered as a real quantity, while the propagation velocity c is complex. Disturbances are termed to be neutral for $c_i = 0$ where c_i denotes the imaginary part of the propagation velocity c , i.e.,

$$c = c_r + ic_i \quad (2)$$

with c_r denoting the real part (which is physically the phase velocity of wave propagation); disturbances are amplified for $c_i > 0$ and damped for $c_i < 0$. For the condition $c_i < 0$ the corresponding flow is stable for a given value of a_d , whereas $c_i > 0$ denotes instability. The limiting case $c_i = 0$ corresponds to neutral disturbances so that the locus of $c_i = 0$ can be considered as separating the region of stable from that of unstable disturbances.

Restricting attention to the case of a neutral inviscid oscillation at $a_d \text{ Re}_{ref} \rightarrow \infty$, Reshotko (Refs. 37 and 38) shows that the necessary and sufficient condition for the existence of a neutral purely inviscid oscillation ($a_d \text{ Re}_{ref} \rightarrow \infty$) is

$$A_c \equiv \frac{\bar{W}_c''}{\bar{W}_c'} - \frac{\bar{T}_c'}{\bar{T}_c} = 0 \quad (3)$$

where

$$\bar{W} = \frac{\bar{u} + \bar{w} \tan \theta \tan \psi}{1 + \tan \theta \tan \psi} \quad (4)$$

$$\bar{u} = u/U_e \quad (5)$$

$$\bar{w} = w/W_e \quad (6)$$

$$\bar{T} = T/T_e \quad (7)$$

$$\tan \psi = W_e/U_e \quad (8)$$

with primes denoting differentiation with respect to y , i.e., $\bar{W}' = d\bar{W}/dy$, and subscript c denoting that the required quantities are to be evaluated at the so-called "critical point" where $\bar{W}_c = c_r/[U_e \cos(\theta - \psi)]$ which occurs at the so-called "critical height" y_c from the surface. See Fig. 2 for clarification of nomenclature.

Now recall the findings of Stuart in Ref. 36 discussed previously with respect to the formation of a stationary wave caused by the coincidence of the point of inflection of the rotated velocity profile with the y -axis at the critical height location y_c . Application of this concept to the three-dimensional compressible boundary layer for a neutral purely inviscid oscillation ($a_d \text{ Re}_{ref} \rightarrow \infty$) forming a stationary wave requires that

$$A_c = \frac{\bar{W}_c''}{\bar{W}_c'} - \frac{\bar{T}_c'}{\bar{T}_c} = 0 \quad (9)$$

and

$$\bar{W}_c = c_r/[U_e \cos(\theta_c - \psi)] = 0 \quad (10)$$

at the critical height location y_c . Equation (4) shows that

$$\tan \theta_c = -\bar{u}_c/[\bar{w}_c \tan \psi] \quad (11)$$

under the restriction of Eq. (10) so that Eq. (9) may be written as

$$A_c = \frac{\frac{\bar{u}_c''}{\bar{u}_c} - \frac{\bar{w}_c''}{\bar{w}_c}}{\frac{\bar{u}_c'}{\bar{u}_c} - \frac{\bar{w}_c'}{\bar{w}_c}} - \frac{\bar{T}_c'}{\bar{T}_c} = 0 \quad (12)$$

which becomes the controlling relationship for the location of the critical height y_c . With y_c known, Eq. (11) may be used to determine the stationary wave propagation angle θ_c . For this choice of direction the phase velocity of the neutral disturbance vanishes so as to form a stationary wave.

For the case of incompressible three-dimensional boundary-layer flow at constant temperature, Eq. (12) shows that the condition for the formation of a stationary wave based on a neutral purely inviscid oscillation ($a_d \text{ Re}_{ref} \rightarrow \infty$) becomes

$$\frac{\bar{u}_c''}{\bar{u}_c} = \frac{\bar{w}_c''}{\bar{w}_c} \quad (13)$$

which is in agreement with the findings of Stuart in Ref. 36 as well as the discussion by Moore (Ref. 39). An experimental study by Gregory and Walker reported in Ref. 36 considered the case of a disk rotating in an incompressible fluid at rest which revealed, by a china-clay technique, the formation of stationary vortices following the shape of logarithmic spirals. Comparison of these experimental results with the neutral inviscid stationary wave analysis by Stuart using essentially Eqs. (11) and (13) above yielded qualitative agreement in that the computed wave propagation angle θ_c agreed with the measured direction within one degree. The analysis of Ref. 36 includes a variational technique for determination of the wavelength of the stationary disturbance. For the rotating disk case, the wavelength computed is four times too short, as compared with the experimental result. The authors of Ref. 36 ascribe this discrepancy to viscosity (which has been neglected in the inviscid-type analysis). However, it is also feasible that the longer wavelength disturbance may simply be more strongly amplified, viscosity being neglected; in plane flow one finds in general that waves of lengths longer than that of the neutral disturbance are amplified at infinite Reynolds number.

2.3 CORRELATION OF DISTANCE TO ONSET OF VORTEX FORMATION IN THE THREE-DIMENSIONAL LAMINAR BOUNDARY LAYER

As stated in Section I, one of the main objectives of the present study concerns the influence of three-dimensional crossflow effects on the formation of streamwise-directed entrained vortices in the laminar boundary layer on a sharp cone at incidence in hypersonic flow. The previous subsection has shown that three-dimensional crossflow has an adverse effect on laminar boundary-layer stability in that a system of streamwise vortices contained within the boundary layer may be formed, apparently because of the inflection point in the rotated velocity profile which is unstable to small disturbances. The exact location at which this vortex system will originate cannot be determined from classical boundary-layer stability theory such as presented in the previous subsection.

Instead, the abrupt formation of these vortices and also the development of complete turbulence, i.e., transition, in a three-dimensional boundary layer can apparently be correlated with a so-called maximum local crossflow Reynolds number, χ_{max} , defined as (Refs. 40 and 41)

$$\chi_{max} = \frac{\rho_e w_s \ell_{max} \delta}{\mu_e} \quad (14)$$

where $w_{\delta, \max}$ is the maximum crossflow velocity in the streamline coordinates of Fig. 1, and δ is the boundary-layer thickness defined as the normal distance from the surface where the total resultant velocity

$$\sqrt{u^2 + w^2}$$

reaches 0.995 of the total resultant inviscid edge velocity

$$\sqrt{U_e^2 + W_e^2}$$

ρ_e and μ_e are the values of density and viscosity, respectively, evaluated at the inviscid edge conditions. Owen and Randell (Ref. 40) found the critical value of crossflow Reynolds number for vortex formation and for crossflow-induced transition to be 125 and 175, respectively, on swept wings at subsonic speeds. The work by Chapman (Ref. 41) on swept cylinders at supersonic speeds (free-stream Mach numbers up to seven) indicates that

$$x_{\max} < 100 \Rightarrow \text{Laminar Boundary Layer}$$

$$100 \leq x_{\max} \leq 200 \Rightarrow \text{Vortex Formation and Transitional Boundary Layer}$$

$$x_{\max} > 200 \Rightarrow \text{Turbulent Boundary Layer}$$

which means that the critical crossflow stability criterion of Owen and Randell may be expected to apply for both subsonic and supersonic flows. Chapman further found that the amount of crossflow needed to induce crossflow instability downstream of the leading edge was very small - on the order of one to five percent of the inviscid edge velocity for the conditions observed. This means physically that on swept wings with large spanwise pressure gradients, as well as sharp and blunt cones at incidence with strong circumferential pressure gradients, boundary-layer transition is more likely to be caused by instability of the crossflow than by instability of the streamwise velocity profile (i.e., Tollmien-Schlichting instability) because of the extremely small amount of crossflow needed to cause transition at small values of the local Reynolds number.

SECTION III ANALYTICAL ANALYSIS

The present analytical investigation employs a three-dimensional laminar boundary-layer analysis coupled with a three-dimensional inviscid conical flow analysis for a sharp cone at incidence in a hypersonic stream. Each of these analyses utilizes a documented digital computer code which will now be briefly described for sake of completeness.

3.1 INVISCID FLOW

A recent investigation by Jones (Ref. 42) resulted in an accurate and efficient numerical integration procedure for solution of the governing partial differential equations

describing the supersonic or hypersonic inviscid flow field around a sharp cone at incidence. Basically Jones' method uses the condition of conicity to reduce the problem to a set of elliptic nonlinear partial differential equations in two independent variables. A transformation of coordinates is used to fix the boundaries, one of which is the unknown shock wave, between which the elliptic equations are to be satisfied. This transformation also has the effect of including the body shape in the coefficients of the partial differential equations and in the boundary conditions, so that the same method can be used for general conical body shapes simply by changing a few program statements to redefine the equation of the body. In fact, the method is, in many cases, only limited by locally supersonic cross-flow conditions, by the entropy singularity moving too far away from the surface, or by the shock approaching very close to the Mach wave. In practice, these restrictions limit the allowable angle-of-attack range to $\alpha/\delta_v \leq 1$ (see Fig. 3 for clarification of nomenclature).

At the present time the method has been used successfully for circular cones and for bodies that can be obtained by successive perturbations of a circular cone and that do not have curvatures that are too large. Jones (Ref. 42) has reported examples for circular cones at incidence, elliptic cones, and a body whose cross-sectional shape is represented by a fourth-order even-cosine Fourier series.

The method is efficient in computer time compared with other fully numerical techniques, and one solution takes from one-half minute to three minutes on an IBM 360/50 computer for the circular cone at incidence - the time increasing as the incidence increases. This is to be compared with a time requirement of approximately one-half hour on an IBM 360/50 computer for the technique developed by Moretti (Ref. 43) in which the flow-field solution is obtained by marching step by step downstream (approximately 400 downstream steps are required) until a conicity condition is sufficiently well satisfied. Comparison of results between the Jones and Moretti approaches shows excellent agreement, with the Jones digital computer code being a factor of approximately ten faster than the Moretti approach in solution time. An analysis very similar to that of Jones has recently been reported by South and Klunker (Ref. 44) while Holt and Ndefo (Ref. 45) have developed a method of integral relations approach to the problem. The important point to note is that all of the above-referenced analyses report excellent agreement with experiment for sharp circular and elliptic cones at incidence under supersonic and hypersonic flow conditions so that the choice of which analysis is indeed the best remains an open question. The present author's experience with use of the Jones digital computer code (Ref. 46) has been most favorable from a user's standpoint.

It should be pointed out in conclusion that Jones (Ref. 47) has recently published a very complete and thorough set of tables for inviscid supersonic and hypersonic flow about circular cones at incidence in a perfect gas, $\gamma = 1.40$, stream.

3.2 VISCOUS BOUNDARY-LAYER FLOW

As discussed in Section I, digital computer codes are now available (see Refs. 11 through 25) for accurate numerical solution of the three-dimensional laminar boundary-layer equations. For application in the present sharp cone investigation, the

three-dimensional conical flow laminar boundary-layer analysis presented in Appendix B of McGowan and Davis (Ref. 25) has been used. This treatment is very similar to that of Dwyer (Ref. 17) and Boericke (Ref. 23) in that the limiting conical form of the full three-dimensional compressible laminar boundary-layer equations as originally derived by Moore (Ref. 9) is solved using an implicit finite-difference technique for numerical integration of the nonlinear parabolic partial differential equations written in similarity variable form. This similarity variable transformation reduces the number of independent variables from three to two in the transformed governing equations so that the problem becomes two-dimensional in form. Since there are only two independent variables in this coordinate system, the implicit finite-difference techniques developed by Blottner (Refs. 48 and 49) can be used almost directly to solve the governing equations. The complete formalism of this numerical approach is discussed in Chapter III of the report by McGowan and Davis (Ref. 25) to which the reader is referred for further study.

The necessary outer-edge conditions for input to the above boundary-layer analysis are determined based on results from the Jones inviscid sharp cone at incidence analysis discussed in Section 3.1. The procedure for specifying the inviscid data necessary for input to the McGowan and Davis boundary-layer analysis is quite simple in that only the pressure distribution around the cone, along with the velocity and density on the windward streamline, must be specified. All other inviscid quantities are then internally calculated using the inviscid compressible Bernoulli and crossflow momentum equations applied at the surface along with the restriction that the entropy remain constant on the surface; i.e., the cone surface is an isentropic surface. Complete details of this procedure are given in Section B of Chapter IV in the report by McGowan and Davis (Ref. 25).

The gas is assumed to be both thermally and calorically perfect air having a constant ratio of specific heats $\gamma = 1.40$. The gas viscosity is assumed to obey the Sutherland viscosity law for air, while the Prandtl number of the gas is taken to be constant at a value of 0.71. The wall temperature of the cone is assumed to remain constant around the cone at a value prescribed by input to the analysis.

Experience with the McGowan and Davis digital computer code reported in Ref. 25 has revealed few defects, and the present author highly recommends its use. It should be noted that the main emphasis of Ref. 25 is placed upon development and documentation of a very general three-dimensional laminar boundary-layer analysis for general body geometry, providing the inviscid flow field for the body in question is available from some source.

SECTION IV BODY AND FLOW CONDITIONS

Most of the experimental data reported by McDevitt and Mellenthin in Ref. 5 was taken in the NASA Ames 3.5-foot Hypersonic (Air) Tunnel on both ablating and nonablating sharp cone models under hypersonic conditions. For the present investigation and comparison of theory with the experimental data of Ref. 5, only nonablating sharp cones with semivertex angles of 5, 10, and 15 deg will be considered; all of the sharp cones have base diameters of 3.0 in. Only angles of attack less than or equal to the sharp

cone semivertex angle can be analyzed using the Jones inviscid sharp cone at incidence analysis (Ref. 42) discussed in Section 3.1, so that the current investigation is restricted to the angle-of-attack range $a/\delta_v \leq 1$; see Figs. 3 and 4 for the sharp cone geometry and general nomenclature.

All of the experimental data for air presented in Ref. 5 were taken at a nominal free-stream Mach number, M_∞ , of 7.4 and free-stream Reynolds numbers based on model length, $Re_{\infty,L}$, of 0.5×10^6 and 3.0×10^6 . The nominal wall-to-stagnation-temperature ratio, T_w/T_0 , was 0.3, which represents a relatively cold wall condition. All of the present calculations have been performed for these nominal flow conditions except for the high Reynolds number ($Re_{\infty,L} = 3.0 \times 10^6$) condition which used an exact $T_w/T_0 = 0.2857$ instead of the nominal 0.30 value.

SECTION V RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Typical comparisons of analytical results from the Jones (Refs. 42 and 46) and McGowan and Davis (Ref. 25) analyses relative to the experimental data of McDevitt and Mellenthin (Ref. 5) for sharp cones at incidence in a hypersonic flow will now be presented. The flow conditions used in the calculations are those presented in Section IV and correspond to the experimental conditions.

The surface upwash angles for 5-, 10-, and 15-deg half-angle sharp cones at various incidence angles are given in Figs. 5 and 6; definition of the upwash angle may be found in Figs. 3 and 4 where ϵ_i denotes the inviscid upwash angle based on the Jones inviscid sharp cone at incidence analysis (Refs. 42 and 46) and ϵ_s denotes the surface upwash angle which corresponds to the measured oil-flow results as well as the calculated values from the McGowan and Davis (Ref. 25) laminar boundary-layer analysis. Comparison of Figs. 5 and 6 reveals that for these flow conditions the maximum surface upwash angle is approximately a factor of four greater than the calculated maximum inviscid upwash angle. This is a clear indication of the large amounts of crossflow present in these three-dimensional laminar boundary layers. Further note that the angular location ϕ of maximum upwash angle increases as the angle of incidence increases due to increasing three-dimensional crossflow. In general, the agreement between the calculated and measured surface upwash angles in Fig. 6 is excellent over the windward ($0 \text{ deg} \leq \phi \leq 90 \text{ deg}$) half of all three cones. As the angle of incidence is increased for a given cone, progressive disagreement between calculated and measured values at the $\phi = 135 \text{ deg}$ location is observed, especially for the $\delta_v = 5 \text{ deg}$ case. It is suspected that the crossflow instability phenomenon discussed in Section II may be causing premature boundary-layer transition in the manner presented later in the present section. The free-stream Reynolds number is sufficiently low for these cases ($Re_{\infty,L} = 5 \times 10^5$) that one would certainly expect a priori a laminar boundary layer over the entire cone. One way to accurately assess if indeed crossflow-induced transitional flow is present at, say, the $\phi = 135 \text{ deg}$ angular location for the 5-deg half-angle sharp cone at 4-deg angle of attack, is to experimentally measure the circumferential heat-transfer distribution around the cone for comparison with the McGowan and Davis three-dimensional laminar boundary-layer analysis (Ref. 25).

The above-discussed results reveal quite clearly the applicability and accuracy of the present analysis technique for three-dimensional laminar boundary layers on sharp cones under cold wall conditions. As McDevitt and Mellenthin point out in Ref. 5, the effect of changes in flow enthalpy at the wall on surface upwash angles may be quite significant, i.e., the surface upwash angle may be changed by as much as 50 percent between hot and cold wall conditions. Shown in Fig. 7 are the calculated upwash angle distributions around a 10-deg half-angle sharp cone at 5-deg angle of attack for various values of the wall temperature ratio. Also presented in Fig. 7 is the corresponding inviscid surface upwash angle for sake of comparison. Note that the upwash angle for the "hot" $T_w/T_o = 0.90$ condition is approximately three times the value for the "cold" $T_w/T_o = 0.0$ case. Further note that the angular location of maximum upwash angle shifts from $\phi \approx 110$ deg for the "cold" $T_w/T_o = 0.0$ condition to $\phi \approx 120$ deg for the "hot" $T_w/T_o = 0.90$ case. A cross-plot of the data in Fig. 7 is shown by Fig. 8 in terms of the surface upwash angle variation with wall temperature ratio for a given angular location. The important point to note from these two figures is that the three-dimensional laminar boundary layer on a sharp cone at incidence is extremely sensitive to the wall temperature level with respect to the amount of turning due to crossflow. This has important implications in connection with hypersonic wind tunnel testing under hot wall conditions relative to flight cold wall conditions for such aerodynamic parameters as static-stability coefficients on lifting reentry configurations at incidence, as will be discussed at greater length later in this section.

As discussed in Section I, McDevitt and Mellenthin (Ref. 5) experimentally observed via an oil-film technique the formation of entrained vortices in the three-dimensional laminar boundary layer on sharp cones at incidence under cold wall, high Reynolds number, hypersonic wind tunnel conditions. The measured upward inclination of these vortices was considerably less than the corresponding inclination of the surface streamlines but somewhat greater than the calculated inviscid upwash angle at the outer edge of the boundary layer. As presented in Section 2.2, three-dimensional compressible boundary-layer stability theory following Refs. 37 and 38 can be applied through Eqs. (11 and 12) to determine neutral purely inviscid oscillations forming a stationary wave which the results of Ref. 36 show to be in qualitative agreement with the measured direction of stationary vortices formed on a rotating disk in an incompressible fluid at rest.

At this point the stability theory of Section 2.2 will be applied to the sharp cone flows of Ref. 5 with respect to angular orientation of the stationary vortices formed due to crossflow instability. The controlling relationship for the location of the critical height y_c at which the phase velocity of the neutral disturbance vanishes so as to form a stationary wave entrained within the three-dimensional boundary layer is given by Eq. (12) solely in terms of the boundary-layer axial and circumferential velocity profiles and their derivatives as well as the boundary-layer static temperature profile and its derivative. Presented in Tables I through IV are the tabulated boundary-layer profiles based on the three-dimensional laminar boundary-layer analysis of McGowan and Davis (Ref. 25) applied to the four cases for which McDevitt and Mellenthin (Ref. 5) present experimental results for vortex angular orientation, namely the $\phi = 90$ -deg body location on a 10-deg half-angle sharp cone at 5-deg, 6-deg, and 8-deg angles of attack as well as a 15-deg half-angle sharp cone at 5-deg angle of attack. It is to be noted that the velocity profiles in Tables I

through IV are relative to the body fixed coordinate system of Figs. 3 and 4. Use of these profiles in Eq. (12) to determine the critical height y_c which is then used in Eq. (11) to determine the stationary wave propagation angle θ_c yields the calculated vortex angles ϵ_v (where $\epsilon_v = 90 \text{ deg} + \theta_c$) shown in Fig. 9 denoted as x symbols; see Figs. 3 and 4 for clarification of the vortex angle ϵ_v definition. For the 10-deg half-angle sharp cone, the three-dimensional inviscid neutral stationary disturbance theory lies some 15 to 18 percent (one to two degrees) below the measured vortex angular orientation at the $\phi = 90\text{-deg}$ location. However, the trend of increasing vortex angle with increasing angle of attack is reasonably well predicted by the theory. For the 15-deg half-angle sharp cone, a 45-percent discrepancy (four degrees) between the three-dimensional inviscid neutral stationary disturbance theory and experiment is observed at the $\phi = 90\text{-deg}$ location.

The exact reason behind the above-indicated discrepancy between theory and experiment with respect to the angular orientation of the vortex path is not clear. Several possibilities exist relative to application of Reshotko's three-dimensional compressible boundary-layer stability theory under hypersonic conditions. For free-stream Mach numbers above two or three, it has been pointed out by several investigators (Refs. 34, 35, 50, 51, and 52) that the compressible stability equations include a number of terms, involving the component of the mean boundary-layer velocity perpendicular to the surface, which are not negligible, but have been ignored in making parallel flow assumptions such as used by Reshotko (Refs. 37 and 38). The effect of this vertical velocity component can become very important under high Mach number conditions as shown by Brown (Ref. 52). In addition, the present application of Reshotko's analysis is valid only in the neutral inviscid stationary disturbance sense which requires that $a_d \text{ Re}_{ref} \rightarrow \infty$ (see Section 2.2). At present it is not known under what circumstances and with what accuracy the inviscid theory can be applied at finite Reynolds number under hypersonic conditions. It would be of great interest to apply the analysis by Brown (Ref. 52) to the present problem of stationary vortex formation since Brown includes all terms in a complete set of three-dimensional stability equations allowing viscous effects (such as dissipation which becomes of increasing importance under cold wall hypersonic conditions). In this connection the tabulated three-dimensional laminar boundary-layer profiles given in Tables I through IV (Appendix II) of the present report are necessary input to such an analysis.

In order to gain some physical insight into the calculated results from application of three-dimensional neutral inviscid stability theory for stationary disturbances, Fig. 10 shows the location of the critical height y_c relative to the degree of turning due to crossflow in the three-dimensional laminar boundary layer at the circumferential location $\phi = 90 \text{ deg}$ on a 10-deg half-angle sharp cone at 6-deg angle of attack. Note that the critical height is located near the outer edge of the boundary layer, i.e., $y_c/\delta \approx 0.80$, which means physically that the stationary disturbance (vortex) formation is probably not a viscous-dominated phenomenon and hence may be adequately described by an appropriate inviscid theory. It is interesting to observe that the critical height location in Fig. 10 for a three-dimensional stationary disturbance is in reasonable agreement with the experimentally determined critical heights presented by Potter and Whitfield (Ref. 53) for nonstationary disturbance formation in two-dimensional hypersonic laminar boundary layers. Since this agreement between two- and three-dimensional flows is probably fortuitous, it would be of great value to conduct an experimental hot-wire probe

investigation similar to that reported by Potter and Whitfield for the present case of three-dimensional stationary disturbances in order to experimentally determine the critical height y_c for comparison with three-dimensional neutral inviscid stability theory.

As discussed in Section 2.2 the exact location at which the stationary vortex system will originate cannot be determined from classical boundary-layer stability theory so that recourse must be taken to application of the maximum local crossflow Reynolds number χ_{\max} in order to correlate the onset of vortex formation. Recall from Section 2.3 that

$$\chi_{\max} < 100 \Rightarrow \text{Laminar Boundary Layer}$$

$$100 \leq \chi_{\max} \leq 200 \Rightarrow \text{Vortex Formation and Transitional Boundary Layer}$$

$$\chi_{\max} > 200 \Rightarrow \text{Turbulent Boundary Layer}$$

based on the criterion by Chapman (Ref. 41). Presented in Fig. 11 are the calculated maximum local crossflow Reynolds number distributions around two sharp cones at incidence ($\delta_v = 10$ deg at $\alpha = 5$ deg and $\delta_v = 15$ deg at $\alpha = 5$ deg) for which McDevitt and Mellenthin (Ref. 5) present photographic documentation of the onset to vortex formation based on an oil-film technique. Note that Fig. 11 is given in laminar boundary-layer similarity format; i.e., χ_{\max} is divided by $\sqrt{x/L}$. From Fig. 11 and the criterion by Chapman reiterated above, a developed surface plot with lines of constant χ_{\max} can easily be formulated with respect to location of onset to vortex formation. Such is presented in Fig. 12 for the two sharp cones at incidence of present interest. Lines of constant $\chi_{\max} = 100$ and 200 are shown up to the $\phi = 90$ -deg circumferential location in order to delineate the region of expected onset to vortex formation. It is extremely difficult to accurately read the McDevitt and Mellenthin photographs with respect to actual initial onset of a vortex streak. Only two such points are presented for the 10-deg sharp cone case. However, for the 15-deg sharp cone sufficient data are available to form the shaded band shown in Fig. 12. Based on these results it appears that vortex formation may be expected on sharp cones at incidence under conditions where χ_{\max} assumes values greater than approximately 150. It is impossible to ascertain if the boundary layer becomes turbulent for $\chi_{\max} > 200$ based on the McDevitt and Mellenthin data. What is needed here for completeness are heat-transfer measurements in the region of vortex formation and downstream in order to clearly delineate the state of the boundary layer.

It is extremely important to note from Fig. 12 that the maximum crossflow Reynolds number concept coupled with the three-dimensional laminar boundary-layer analysis correctly predicts the trend observed in the experimental data of Refs. 3 and 4 that the transition movement undergoes a much more rapid forward progression on the leeward side than the rearward progression for the windward side of sharp cones at incidence in hypersonic flow; see the sketch in Section I for clarification. The only other work, to the present author's knowledge, along the same lines as the above application of the maximum crossflow Reynolds number concept to prediction of stability boundaries for aerodynamic bodies of revolution at incidence is a paper by Nachtsheim (Ref. 54) for

incompressible flow over a paraboloid of revolution at small-angles of attack based on the small crossflow approximation.

Another important facet of the crossflow instability phenomenon is the influence of wall temperature level on the magnitude of the calculated maximum crossflow Reynolds number χ_{\max} . As shown very clearly in Fig. 13, increasing wall temperature level at a given circumferential location increases the value of χ_{\max} and hence makes the three-dimensional laminar boundary layer more susceptible to crossflow instability leading to vortex formation and transition. The reason behind this behavior can be seen from Figs. 14 and 15 which present the variation of the maximum crossflow velocity (in streamline coordinates) and the boundary-layer thickness (in similarity form) with respect to wall temperature for three different circumferential locations around the cone. Note that the maximum crossflow velocity is increased by approximately a factor of three while the boundary-layer thickness is increased by approximately a factor of two as the wall temperature level is increased from $T_w/T_o = 0.0$ to $T_w/T_o = 0.90$. Since, from Eq. (14),

$$\chi_{\max} = \frac{\rho_e w_s \ell_{\max} \delta}{\mu_e}$$

with ρ_e and μ_e being determined by the local inviscid edge conditions (which, of course, are independent of wall temperature level), the above results reveal that the increase of the maximum crossflow Reynolds number with wall temperature level at a given circumferential location as shown in Fig. 13 is totally due to the sensitivity of the three-dimensional laminar boundary-layer crossflow velocity profile and boundary-layer thickness to changes in the wall temperature level. In general, the hotter the wall, the greater the crossflow velocity and boundary-layer thickness which leads to greater instability (due to increasing crossflow effects) in the three-dimensional laminar boundary layer.

It is very important to recognize from Fig. 13 that severe wall cooling ($T_w/T_o \rightarrow 0$) can render the present sharp cone ($\delta_v = 10$ deg at $\alpha = 5$ deg) stable to three-dimensional crossflow instability over the entire body for the given flow conditions based on a value of $\chi_{\max} > 150$ required for onset to vortex formation. Recalling the significant influence of boundary-layer transition on slender bodies at incidence relative to static-stability characteristics as discussed in Refs. 2, 3, and 4, the results of Fig. 13 give warning that static-stability ground testing in hypersonic wind tunnels under hot wall conditions on slender bodies at incidence may not be applicable to cold wall flight conditions due to the crossflow instability phenomenon. Much more work remains to be done in this area before a definite conclusion on this potential problem area in relating ground test results to actual flight conditions can be reached.

SECTION VI CONCLUDING SUMMARY

The present investigation was devoted to analysis of experimental measurements concerning surface upwash angles and entrained vortex formation in the three-dimensional

laminar boundary layer on sharp cones at incidence in a hypersonic flow. Excellent agreement with respect to surface upwash angles between three-dimensional laminar boundary-layer theory (applied through numerical integration of the governing three-dimensional equations using an implicit finite-difference technique) and experimental measurements taken in a hypersonic wind tunnel was obtained for angles of attack less than the cone half-angle. The angle-of-attack restriction was due to the three-dimensional inviscid analysis used in the present study to obtain the outer edge conditions for input to the boundary-layer calculations. A strong influence of wall temperature level on the surface upwash angle was found to exist for sharp cones at incidence. In general, the hotter the wall, the greater the turning effect on the three-dimensional laminar boundary layer due to crossflow. This finding has application in the interpretation of results from wind tunnel tests on slender bodies at incidence under hot wall conditions relative to actual flight conditions in a cold wall environment.

Attention was also directed in the present investigation toward application of three-dimensional neutral inviscid stability theory for stationary disturbances in order to calculate the angular orientation of entrained vortices formed in the three-dimensional laminar boundary layer because of crossflow-induced inflectional instability in the rotated boundary-layer velocity profile. Application of this approach was not entirely satisfactory relative to experiment, but more work must be done before declaring the approach invalid; terms which may have been significant under hypersonic conditions were not included in the present stability analysis. The location of the so-called critical height was found to be near the edge of the three-dimensional laminar boundary layer which is a hopeful sign that inviscid stability theory can indeed be applied under hypersonic cold wall conditions.

A so-called maximum crossflow Reynolds number concept was applied in the present analysis to successfully correlate the onset to vortex formation in the three-dimensional laminar boundary layer on sharp cones at incidence. The numerical value of the maximum crossflow Reynolds number at which vortex formation is observed to begin relative to experimental data on sharp cones was found to agree quite well with previous experiments on swept wings and cylinders under subsonic and supersonic conditions. It appears that a value of approximately 175 for the maximum crossflow Reynolds number is sufficient for onset to vortex formation in the three-dimensional laminar boundary layer on sharp cones in hypersonic flow under cold wall conditions.

The actual numerical magnitude of the maximum crossflow Reynolds number was found to be quite sensitive to the wall temperature level with, in general, the hotter the wall, the larger the value for the maximum crossflow Reynolds number and hence the more unstable the three-dimensional laminar boundary layer to the crossflow instability phenomenon. This behavior was shown to be the result of increased boundary-layer crossflow velocity and thickness as the wall temperature is increased. Based on these findings, static-stability ground testing in hypersonic wind tunnels under hot wall conditions on slender bodies at incidence may not be applicable to cold wall flight conditions at the same free-stream Mach and Reynolds number conditions because of the crossflow instability phenomenon being enhanced by the hot wall condition which, in turn, can result in premature transition of the three-dimensional laminar boundary layer to turbulent

flow. What is needed in order to more fully understand this crossflow-induced instability phenomenon and its effects on boundary-layer transition under various wall temperature conditions is a careful and thorough experimental investigation of the three-dimensional laminar boundary-layer structure (profile measurements) as well as surface heat-transfer measurements under flow conditions leading to entrained vortex formation and transition on sharp cones at incidence.

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APPENDICES
I. ILLUSTRATIONS
II. TABLES

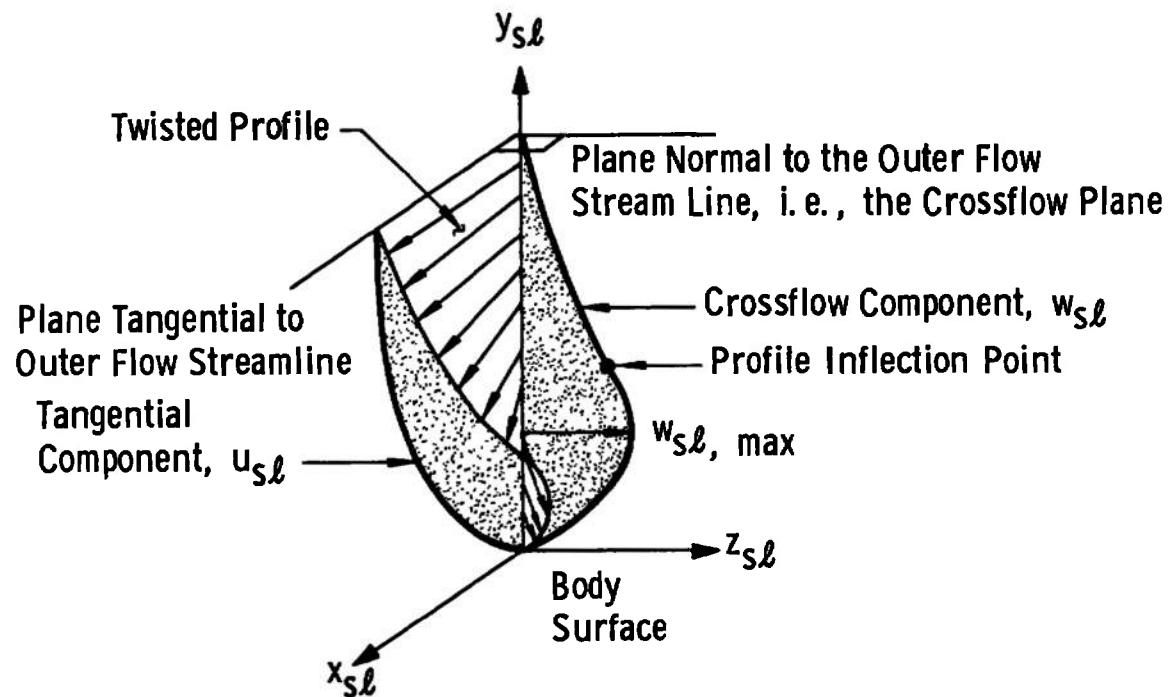


Fig. 1 Three-Dimensional Boundary-Layer Velocity Profiles in Streamline Coordinates

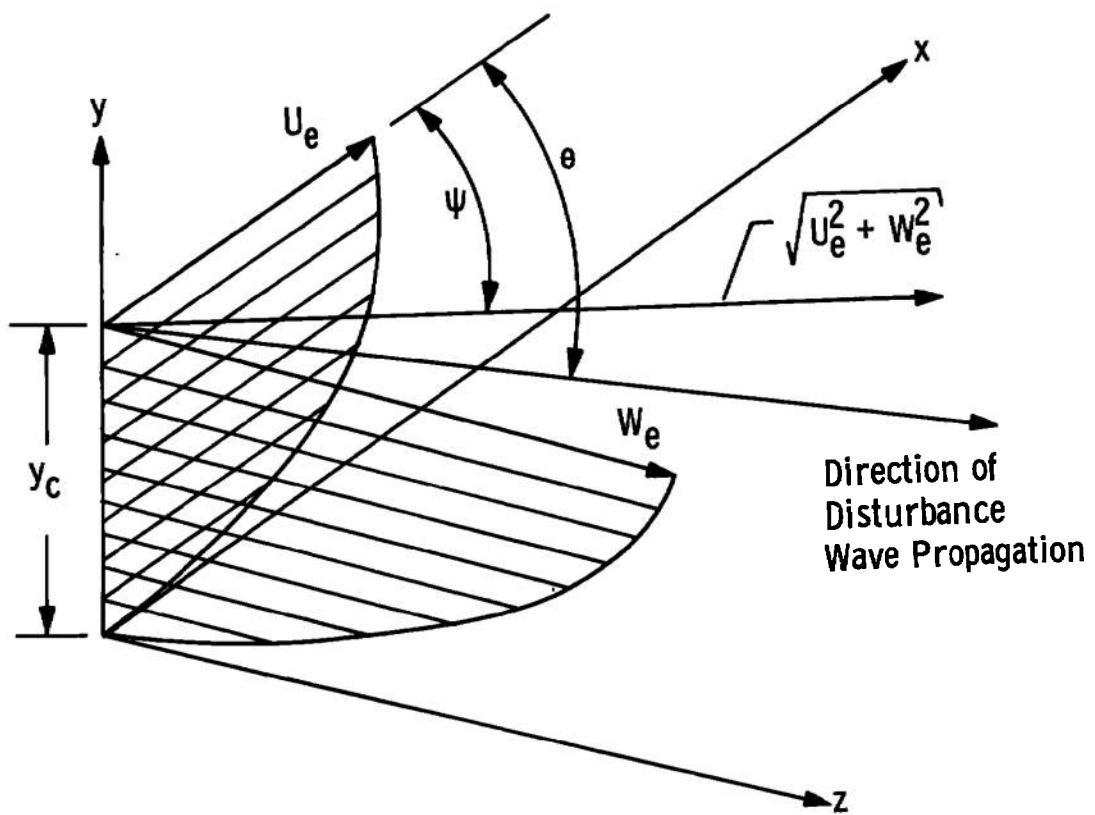


Fig. 2 Schematic of Disturbance Wave Propagation in a Three-Dimensional Boundary Layer

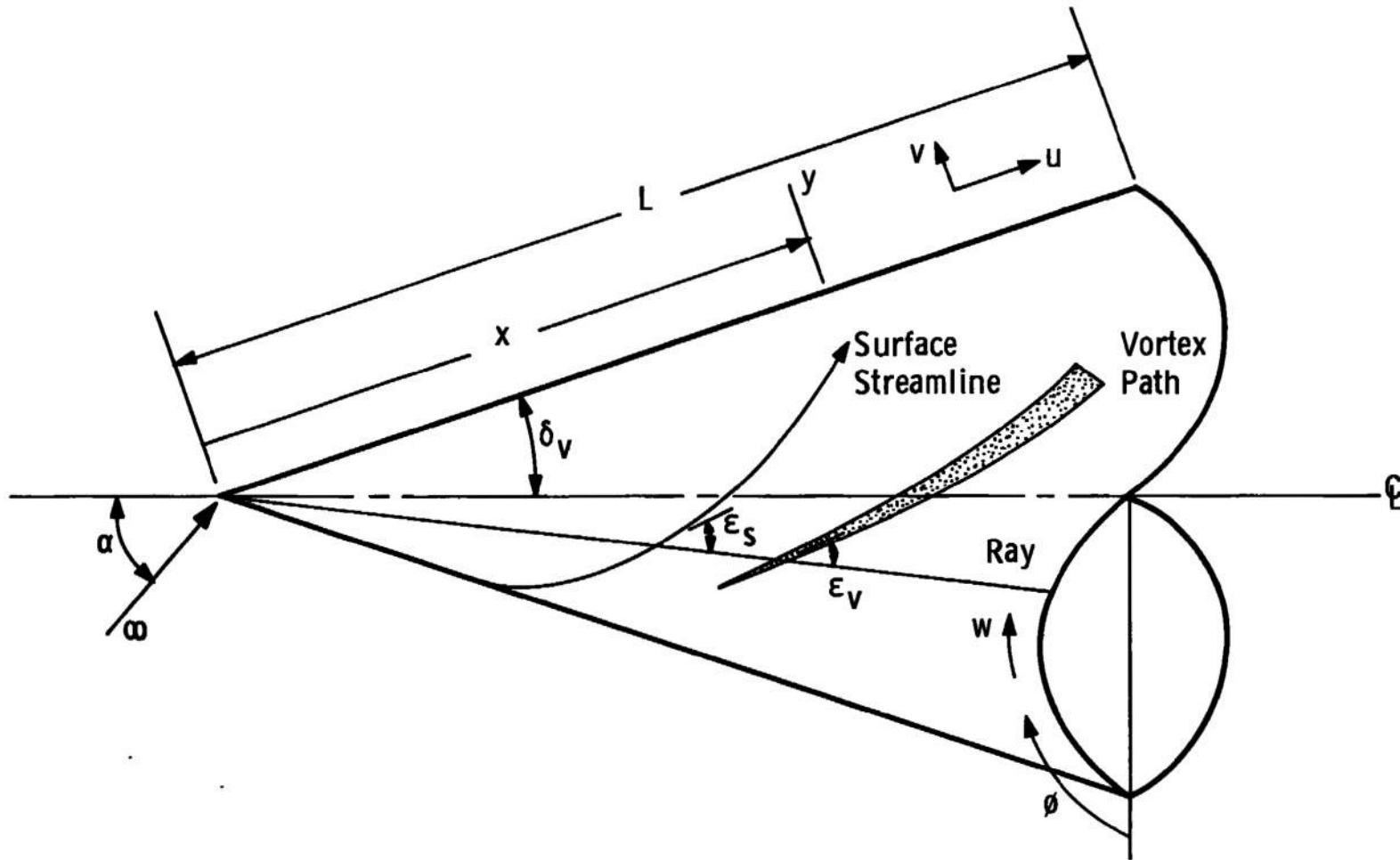


Fig. 3 Sharp Cone Geometry and Nomenclature

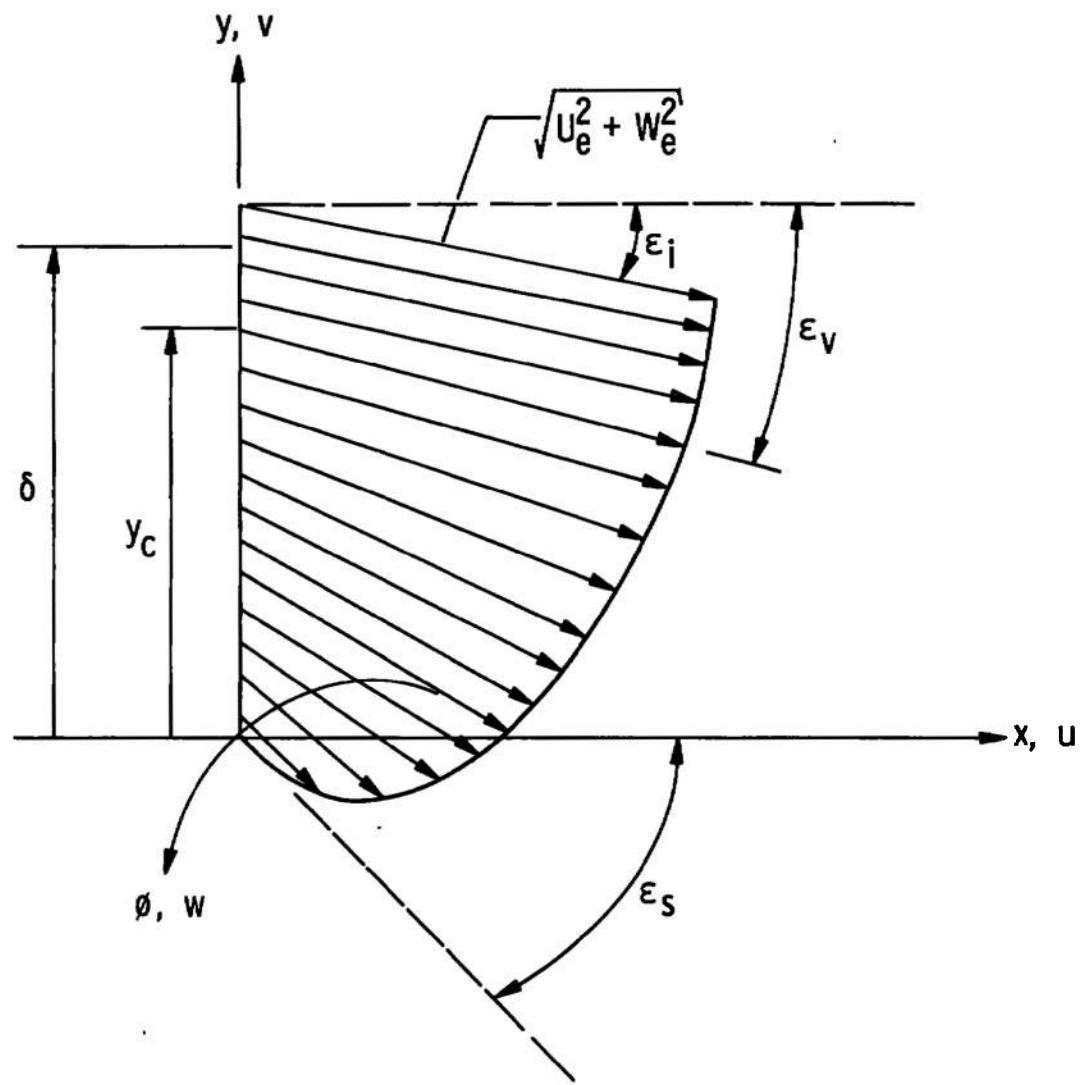


Fig. 4 Schematic of Three-Dimensional Boundary-Layer Velocity Profile in Body Coordinates Showing Definition of Upwash Angles

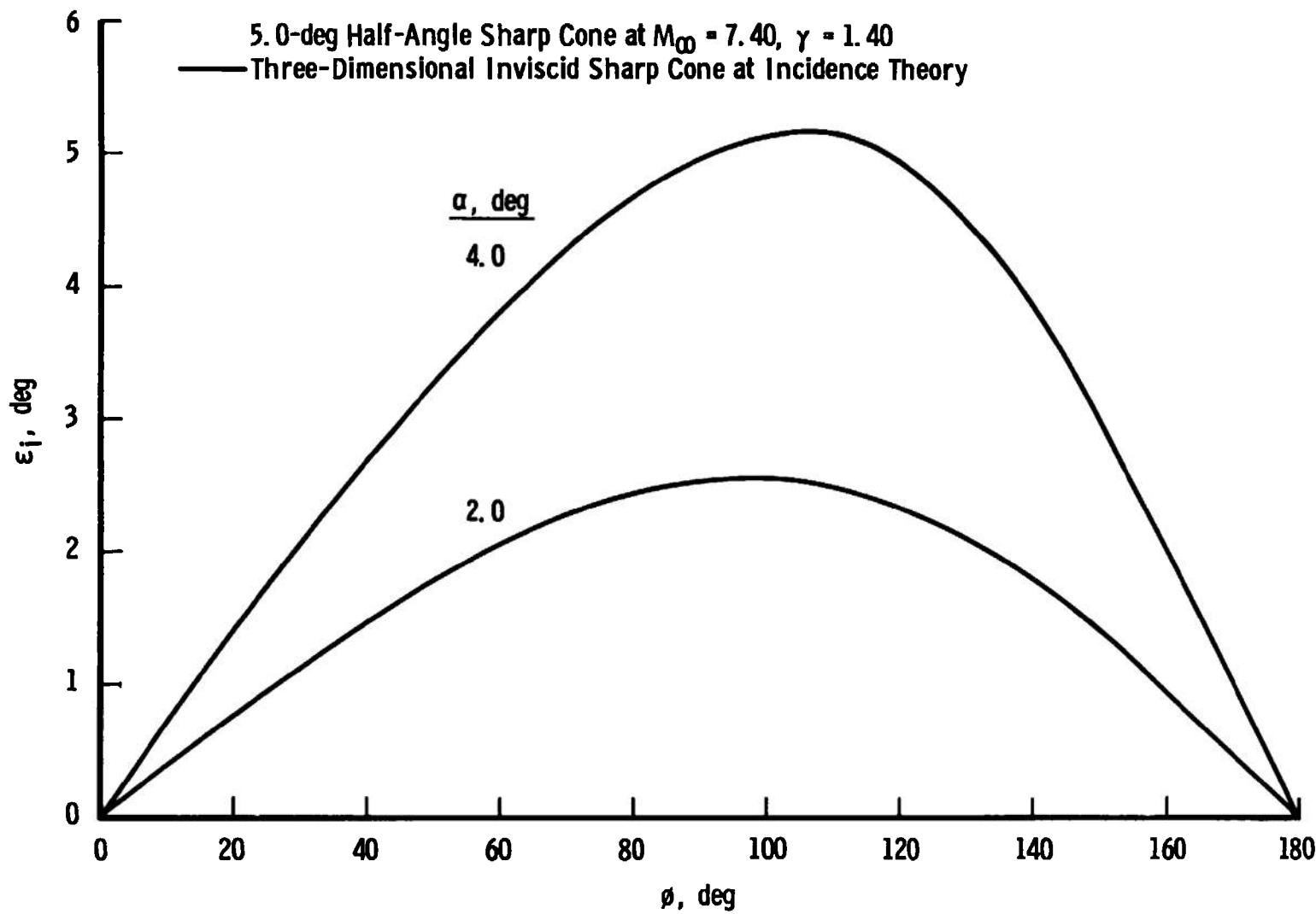


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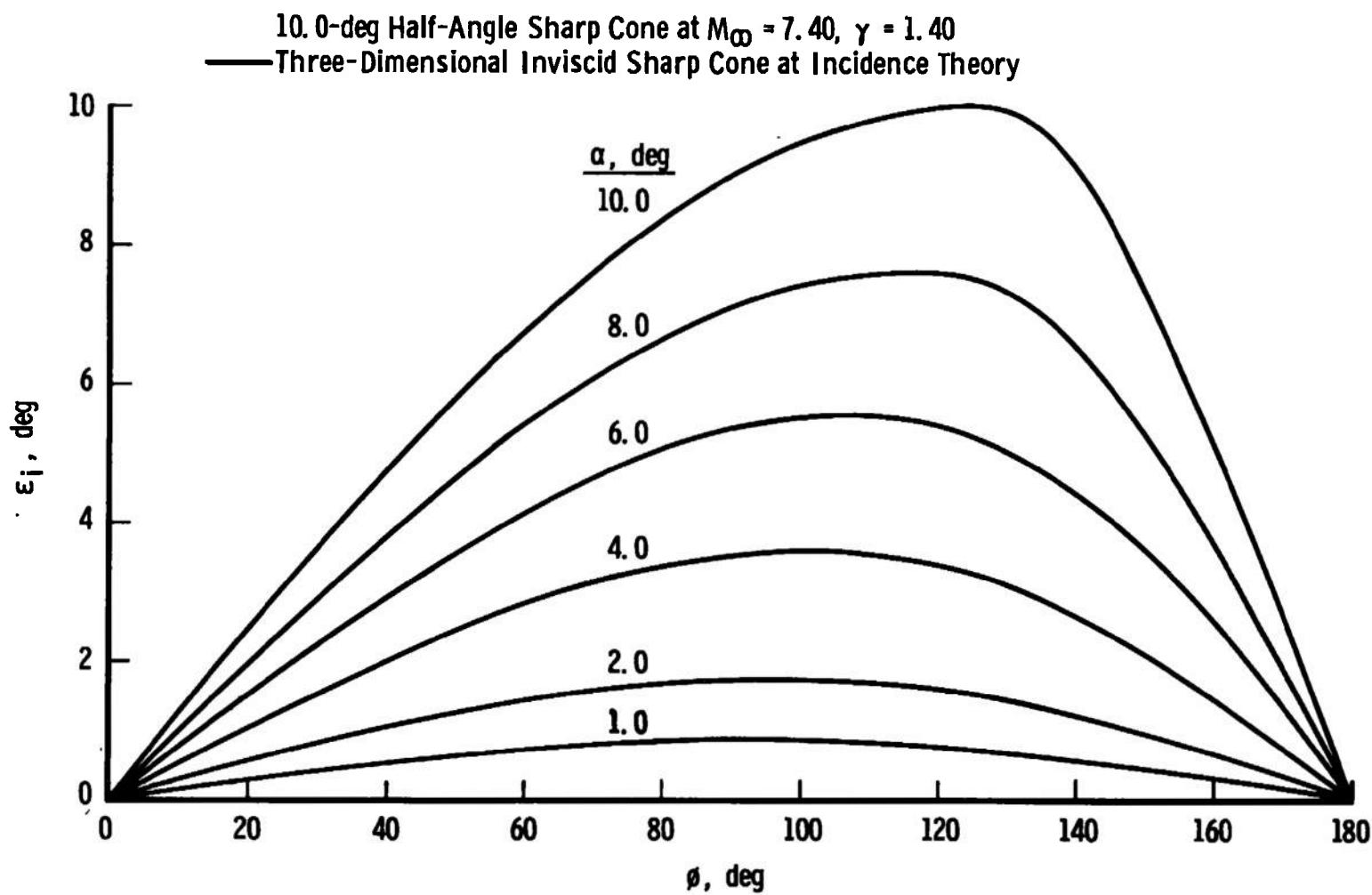


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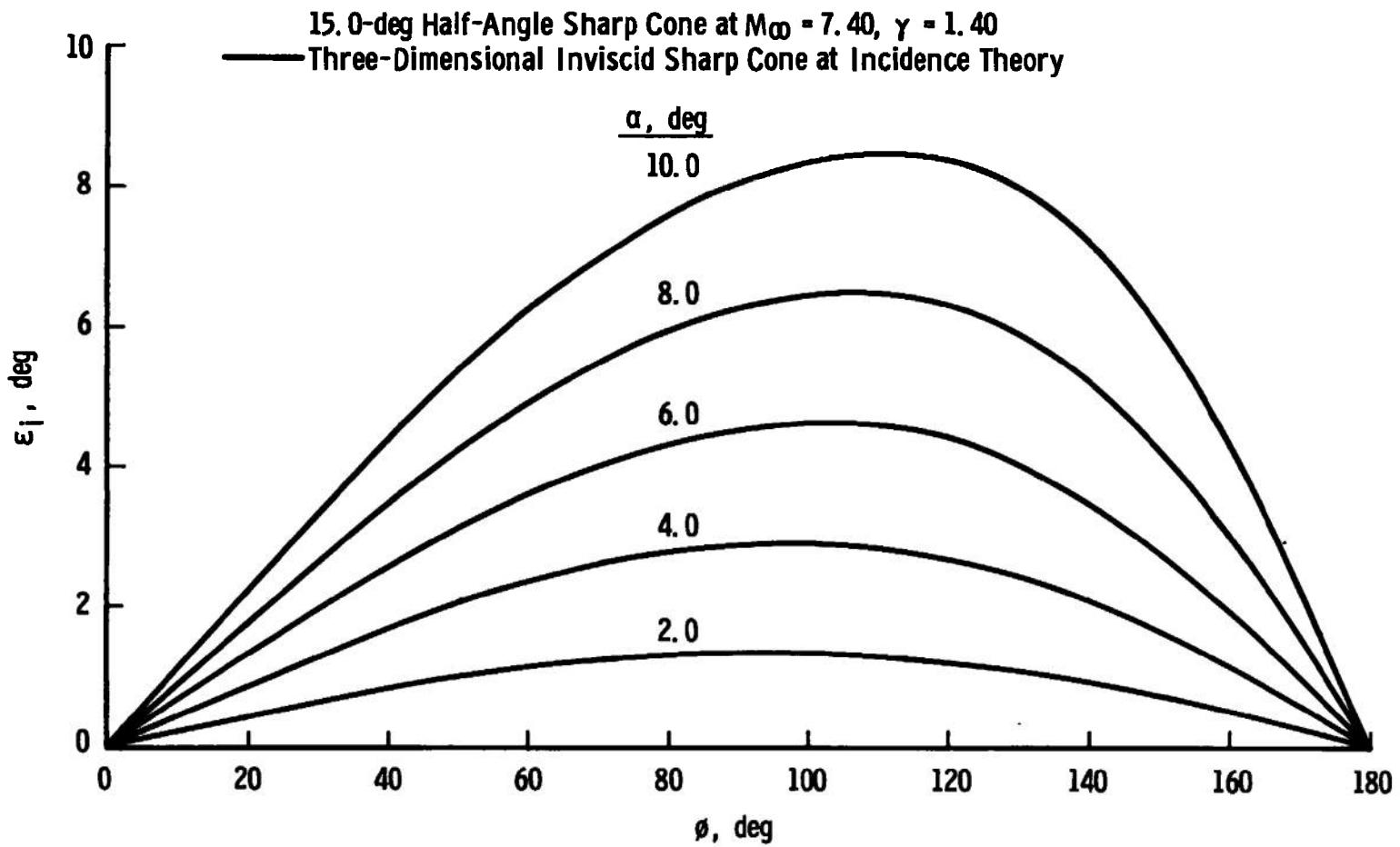


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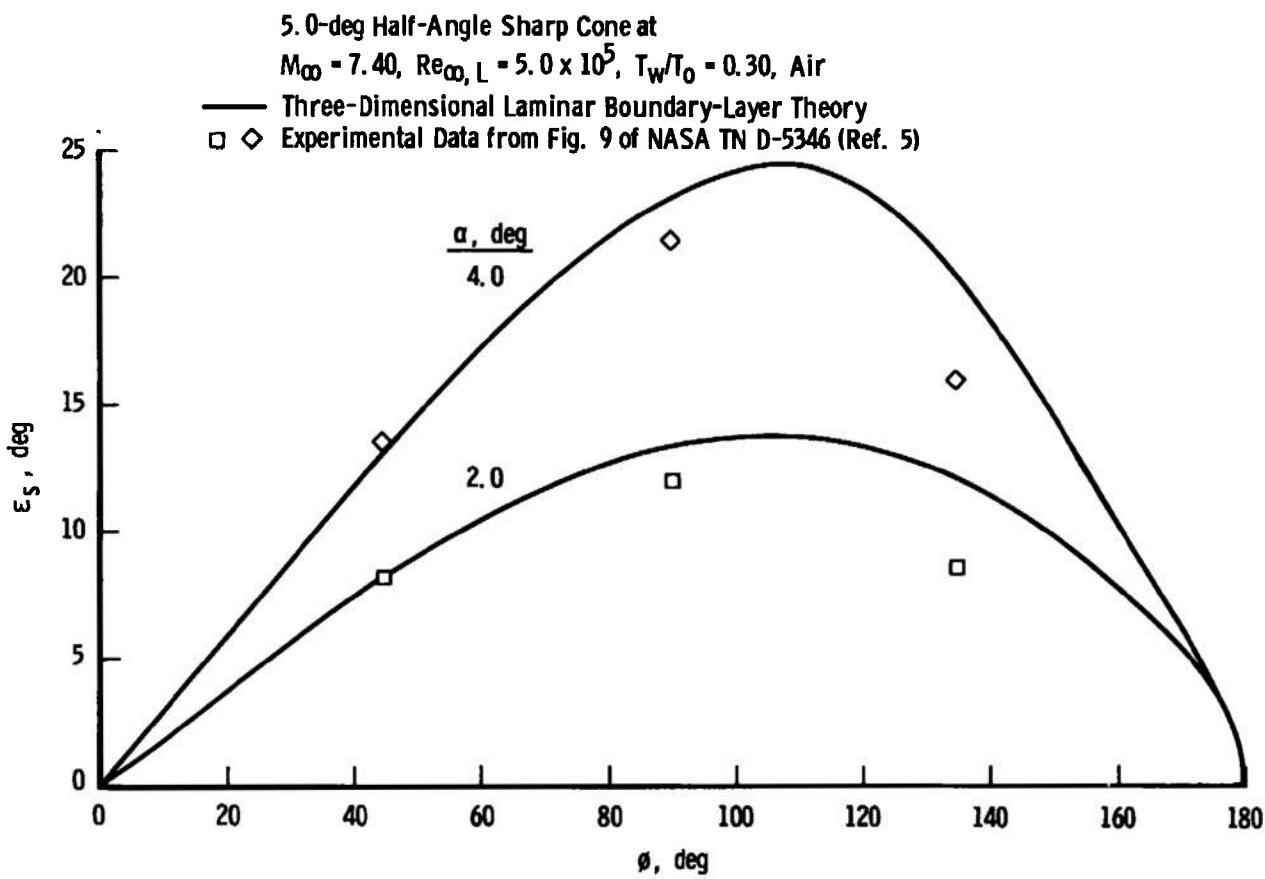


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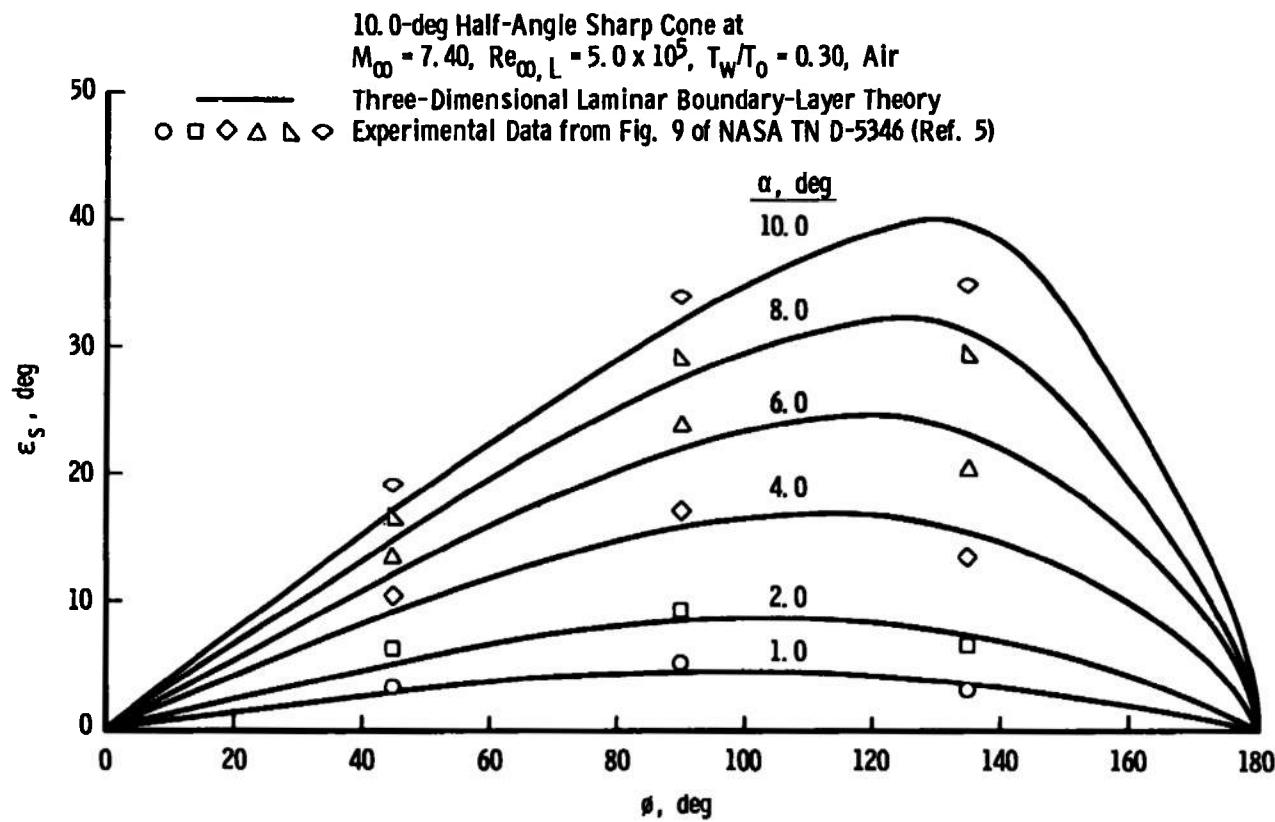


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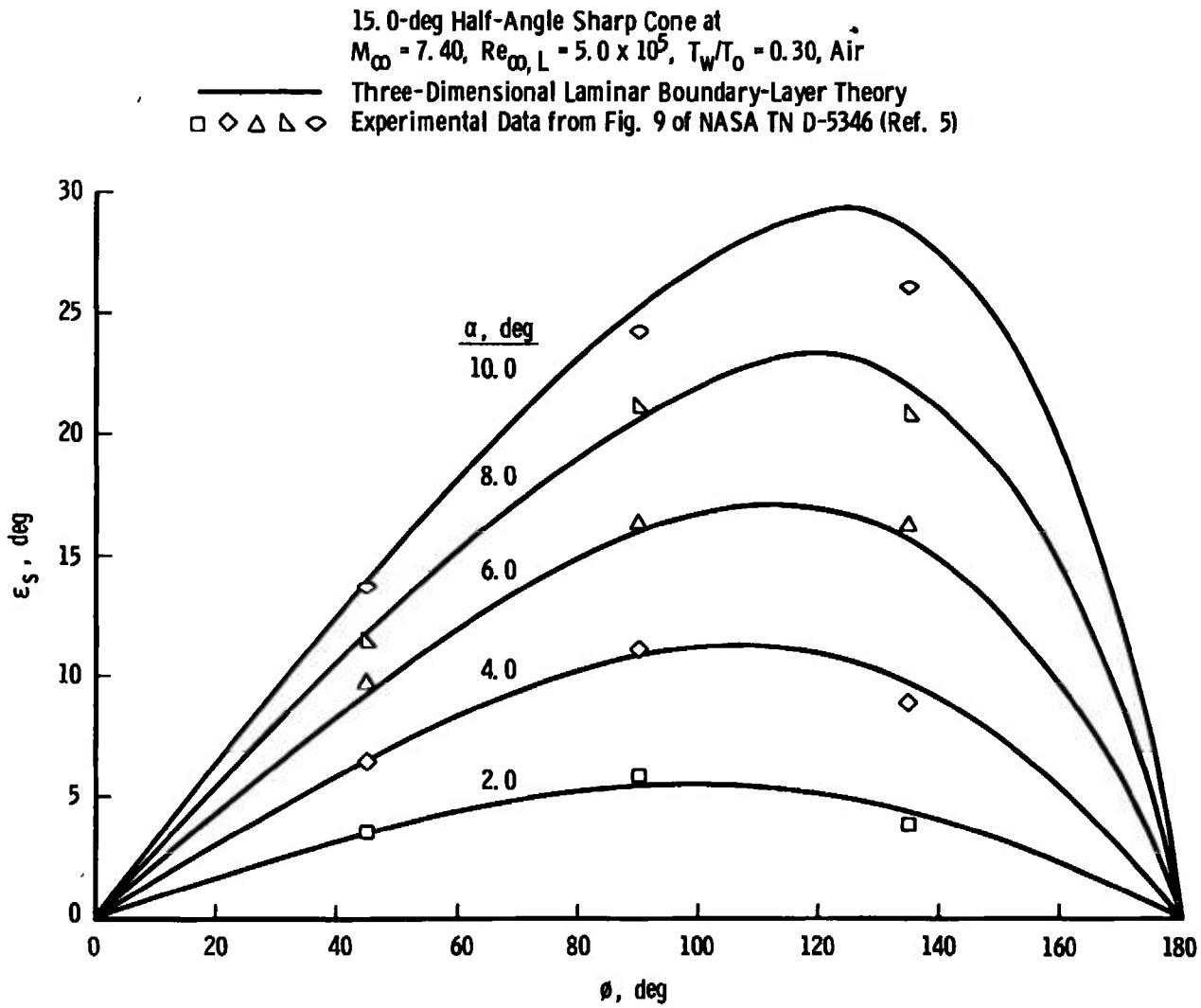


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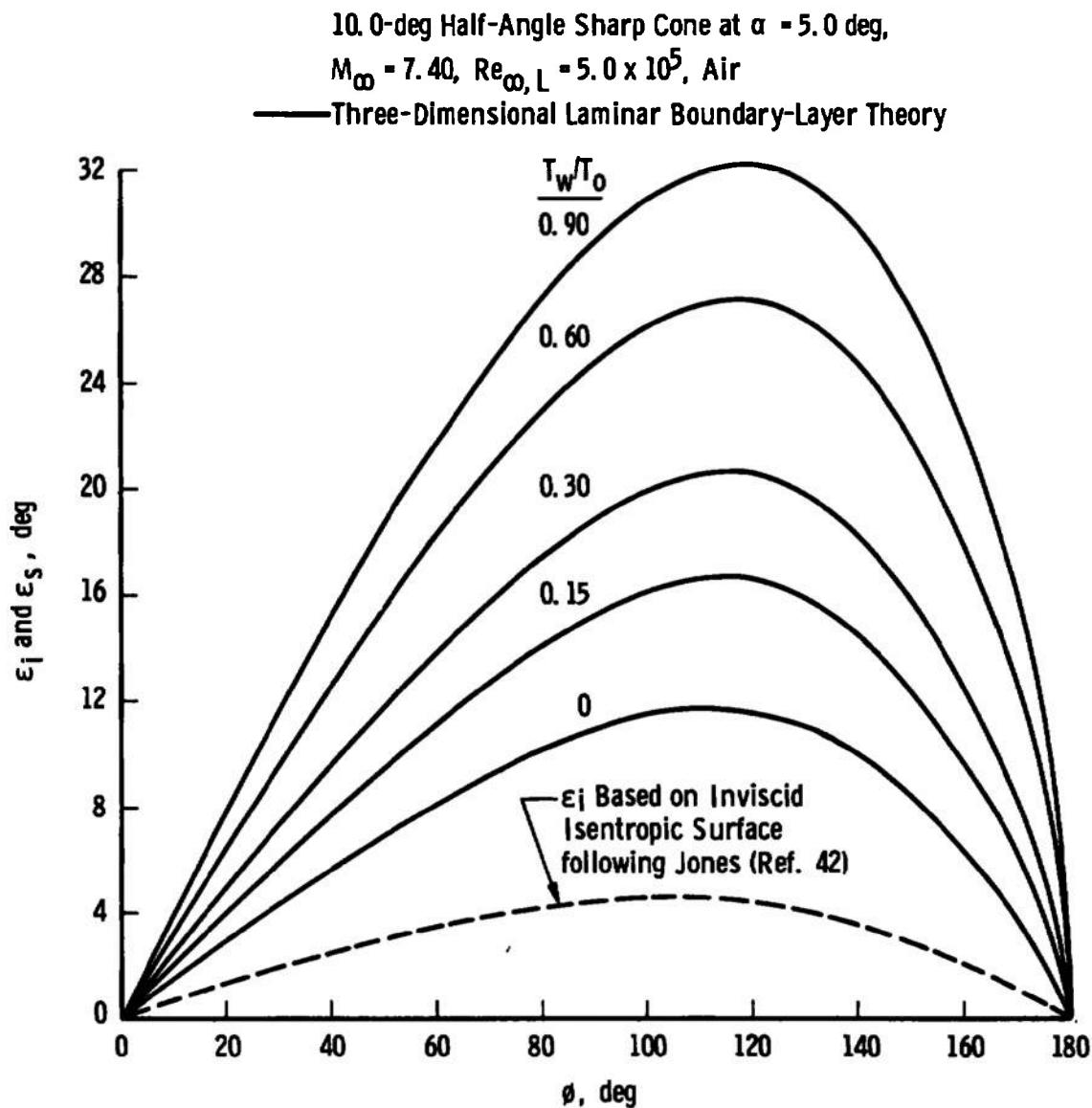


Fig. 7 Effects of Wall Temperature on Calculated Surface Upwash Angle

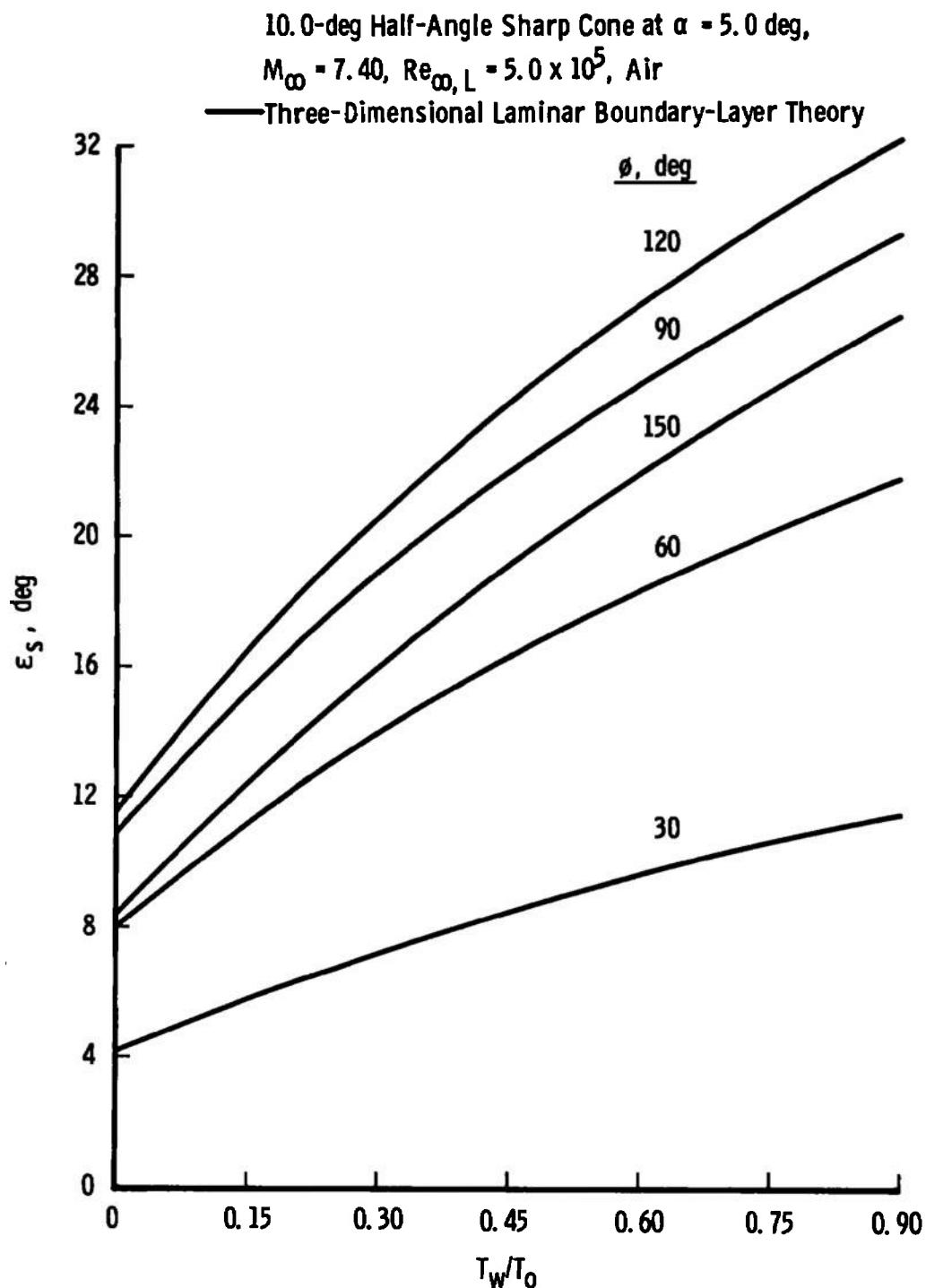


Fig. 8 Variation of Surface Upwash Angle with Wall Temperature at a Given Circumferential Location

10. 0-deg Half-Angle Sharp Cone at $M_\infty = 7.40$,
 $Re_\infty L = 3.0 \times 10^6$, $T_w/T_\infty = 0.2857$, Air

- Three-Dimensional Laminar Boundary-Layer Theory
- Three-Dimensional Inviscid Sharp Cone at Incidence Theory
- ○ Experimental Data from Fig. 15 of NASA TN D-5346 (Ref. 5)
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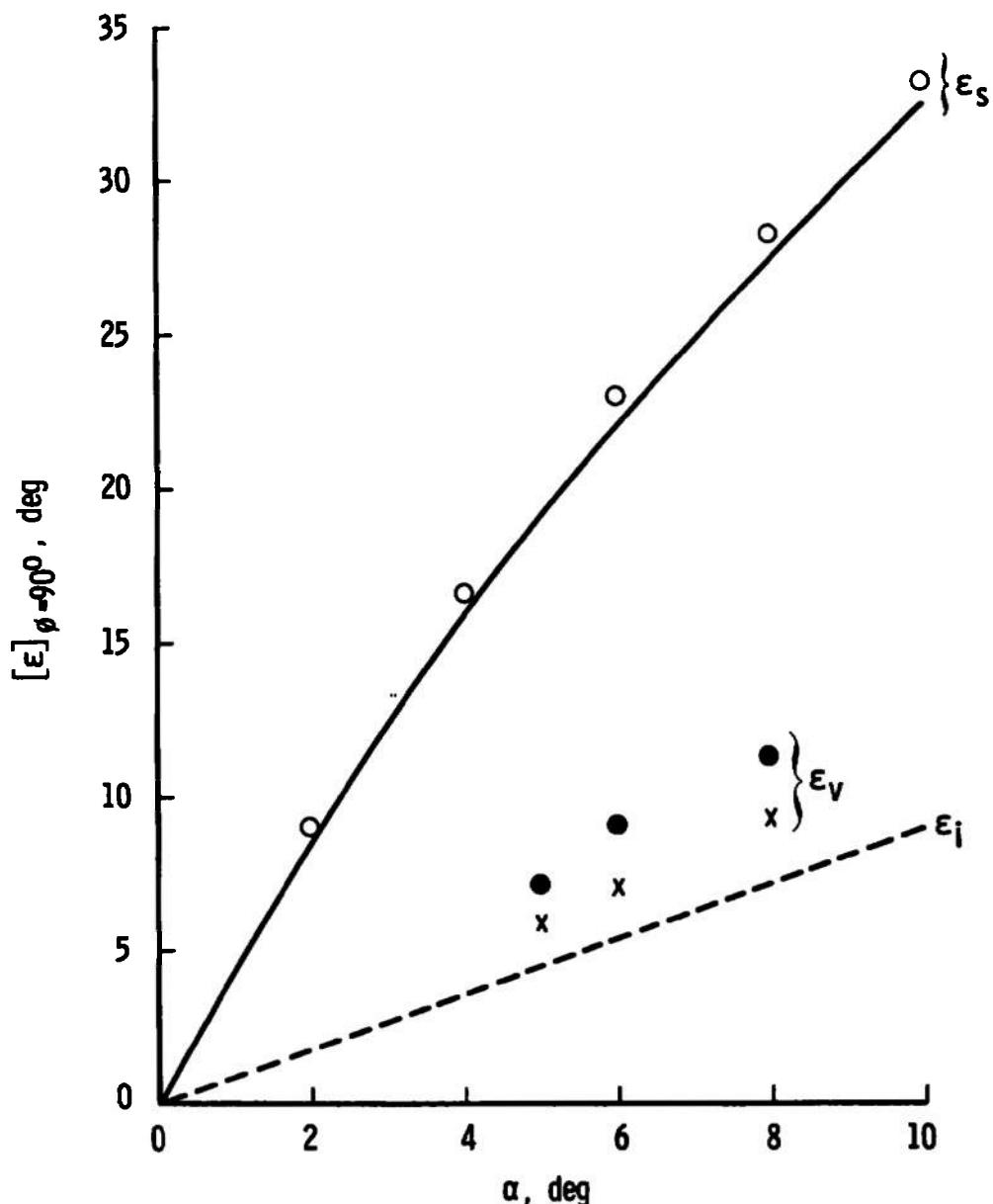


Fig. 9 Comparison of Calculated and Measured Vortex Angles at the Body Location $\phi = 90$ deg

15. 0-deg Half-Angle Sharp Cone at $M_\infty = 7.40$,
 $Re_\infty L = 3.0 \times 10^6$, $T_w/T_0 = 0.2857$, Air

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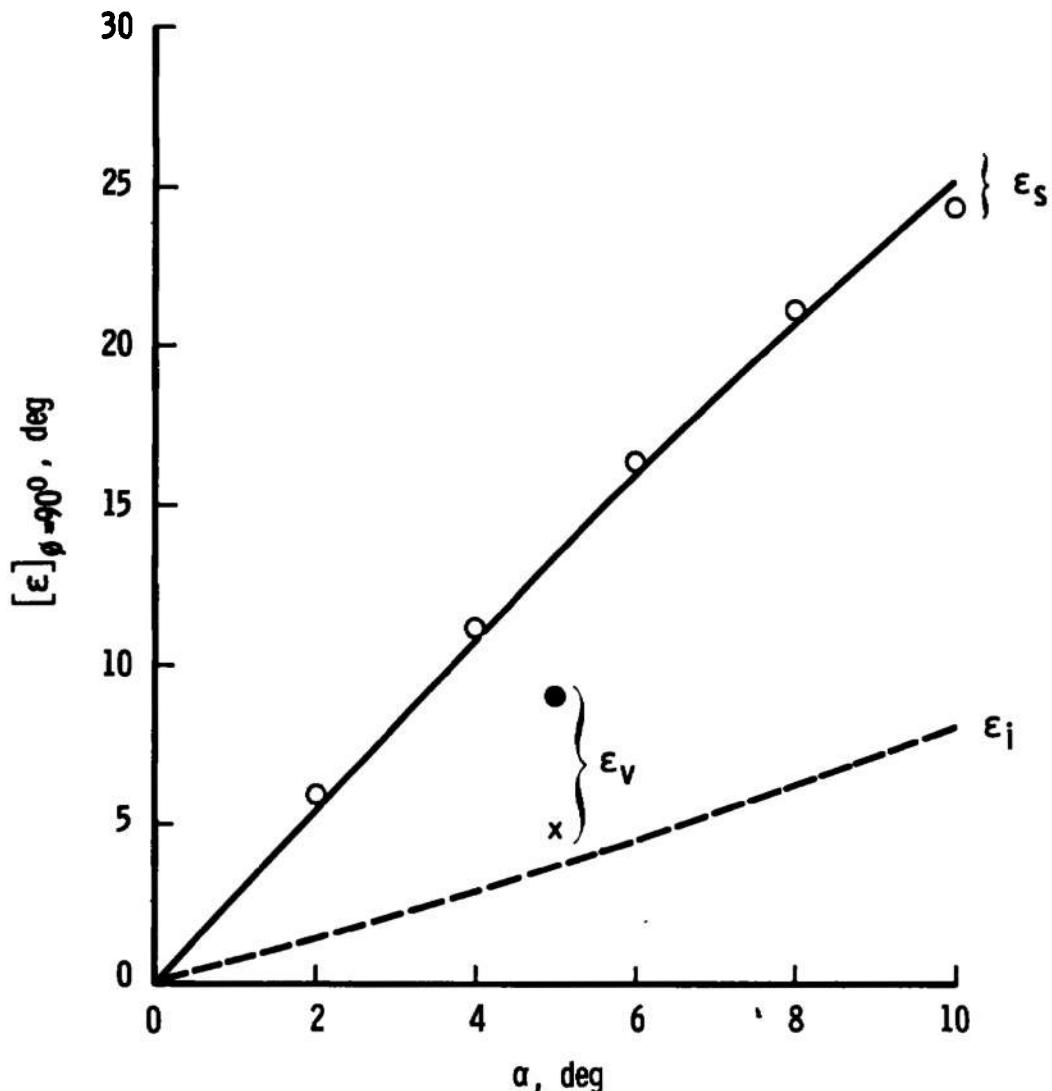


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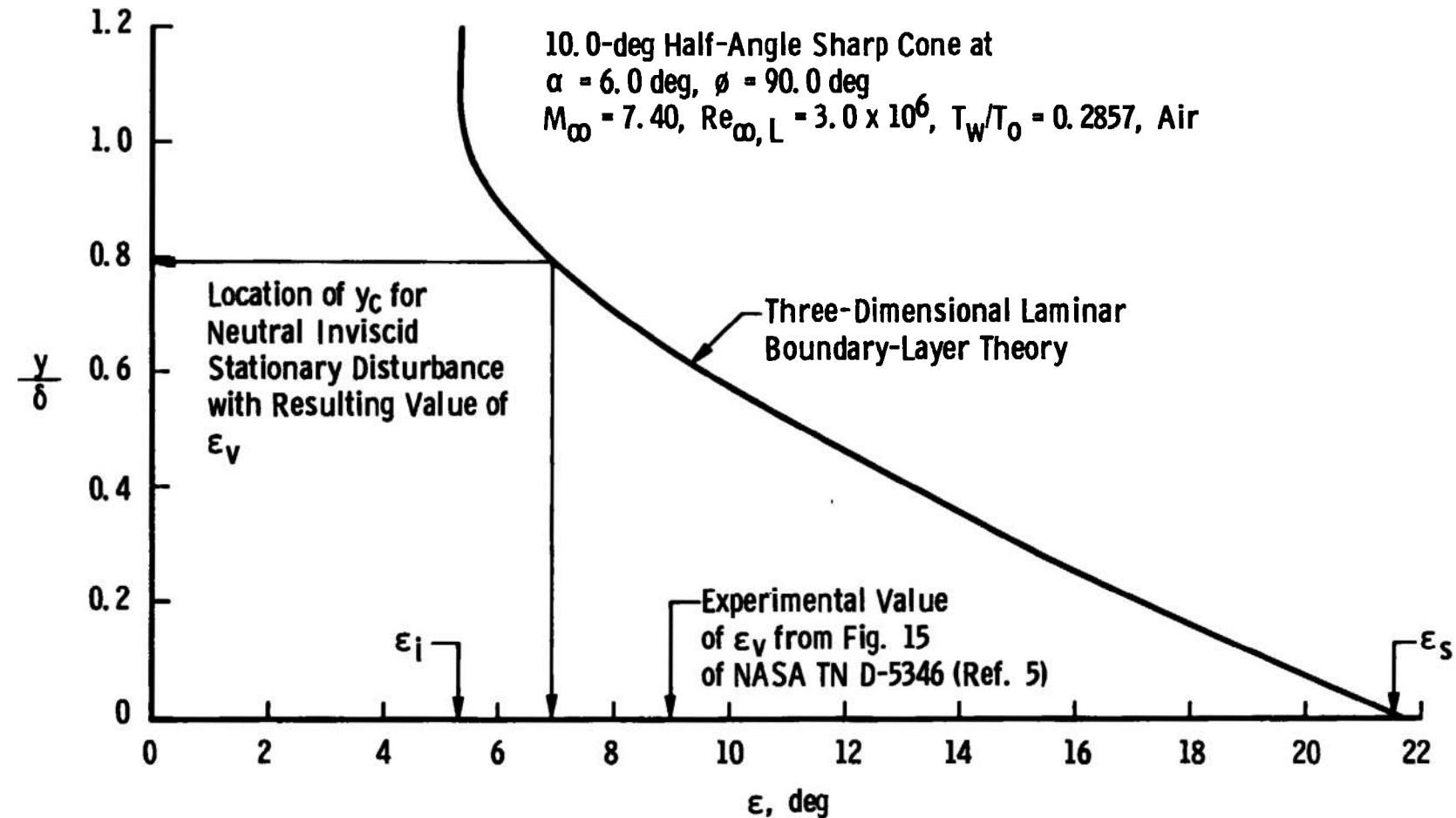


Fig. 10 Angular Turning of the Boundary-Layer Velocity Profile at the Body Location
 $\phi = 90 \text{ deg}$ Including Position of Critical Height

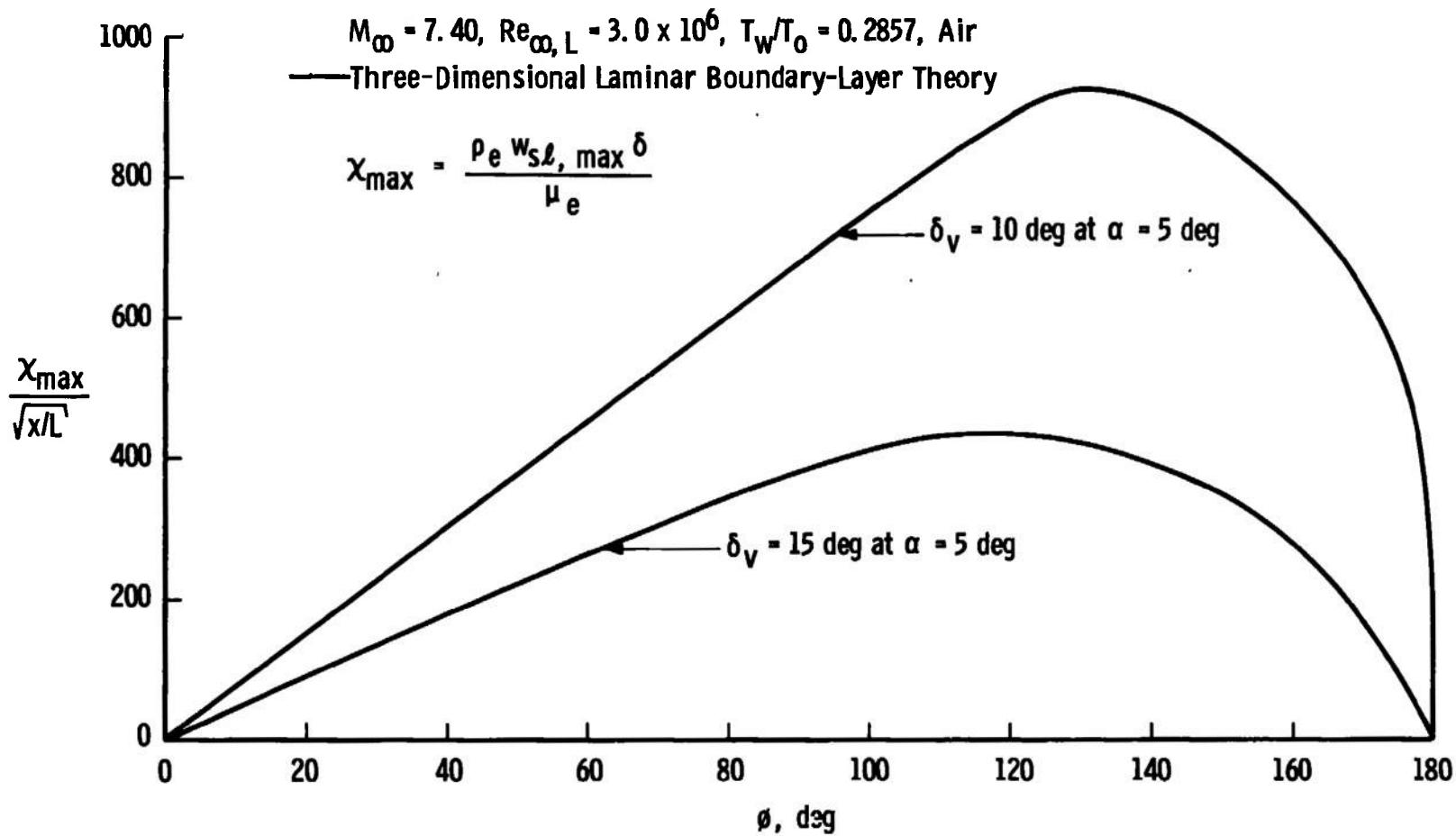


Fig. 11 Maximum Crossflow Reynolds Number Distribution

10. 0-deg Half-Angle Sharp Cone at $\alpha = 5.0$ deg
 $M_\infty = 7.40$, $Re_{\infty, L} = 3.0 \times 10^6$, $T_w/T_0 = 0.2857$, Air

▲ Onset of Vortex Formation Based on Fig. 12
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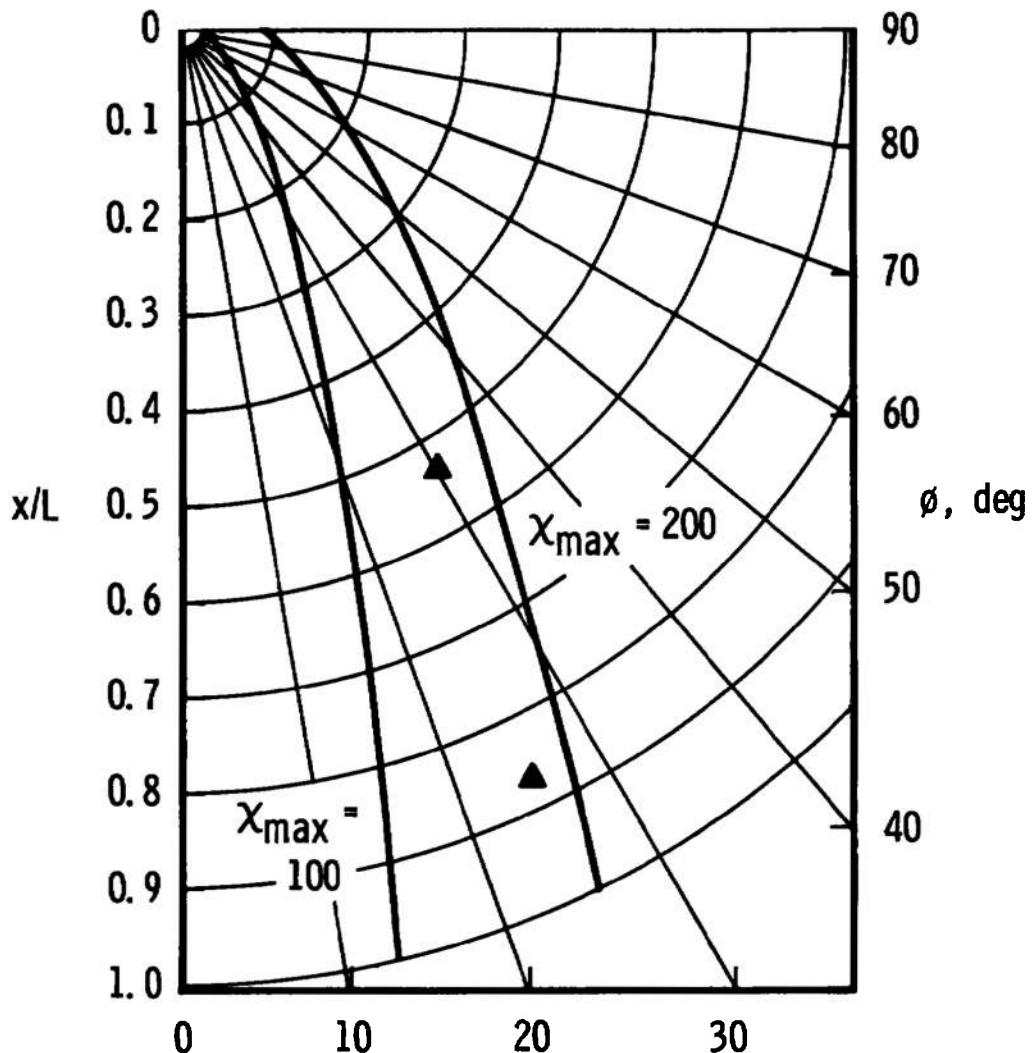


Fig. 12 Developed-Surface Plot Showing Onset to Vortex Formation Relative to Lines of Constant Maximum Crossflow Reynolds Number

15. 0-deg Half-Angle Sharp Cone at $\alpha = 5.0$ deg

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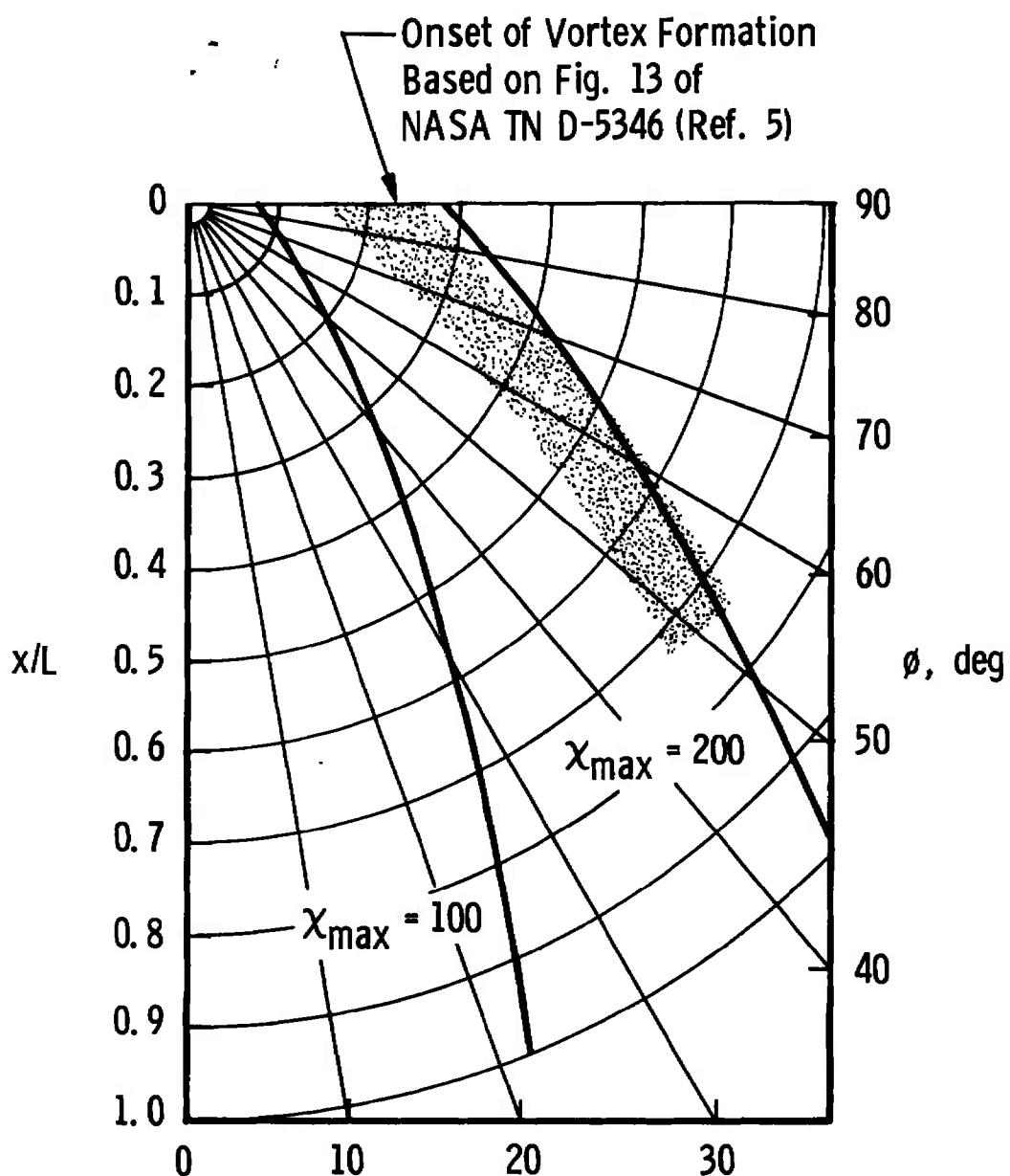


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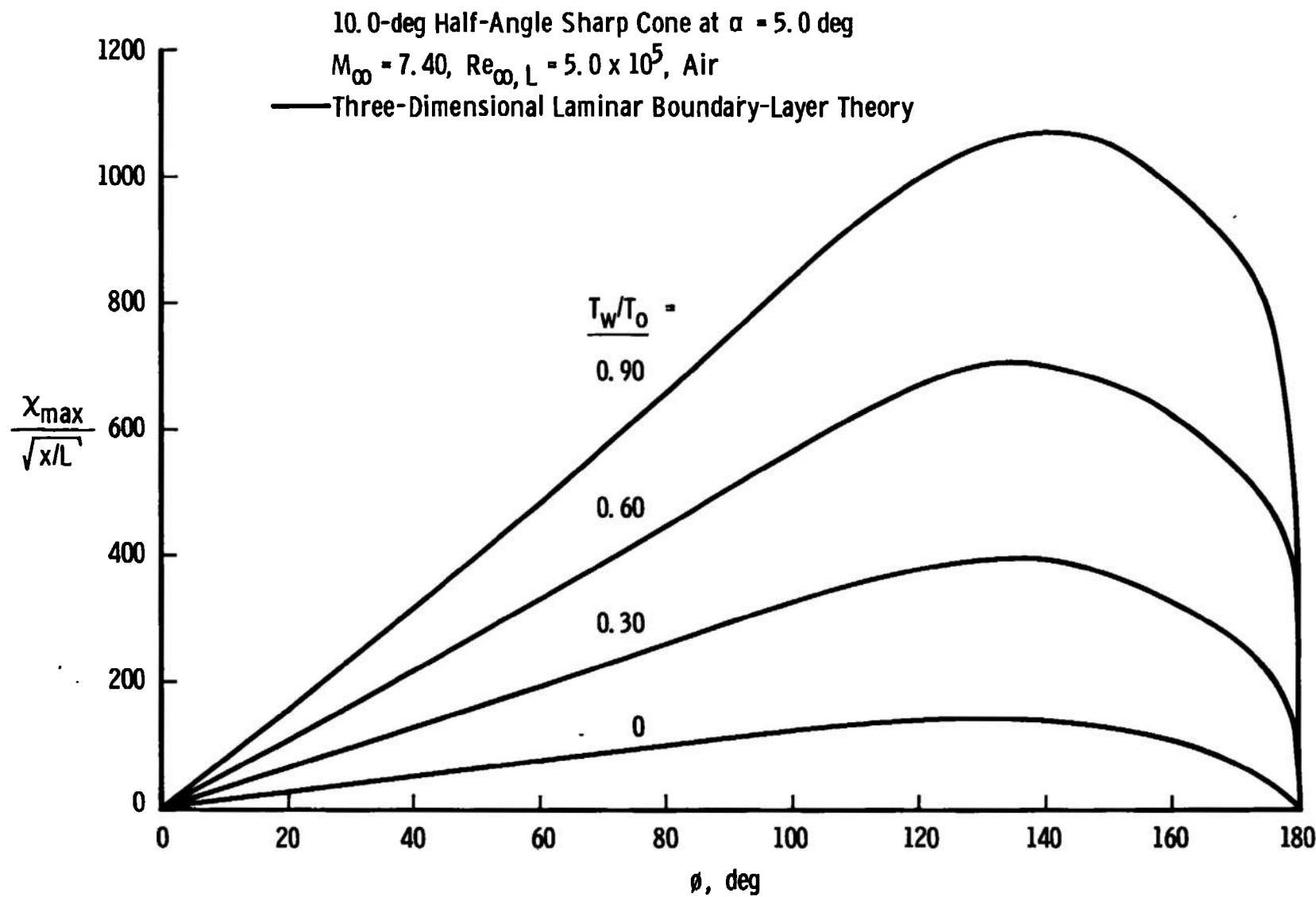


Fig. 13 Effects of Wall Temperature on Calculated Maximum Crossflow Reynolds Number Distribution

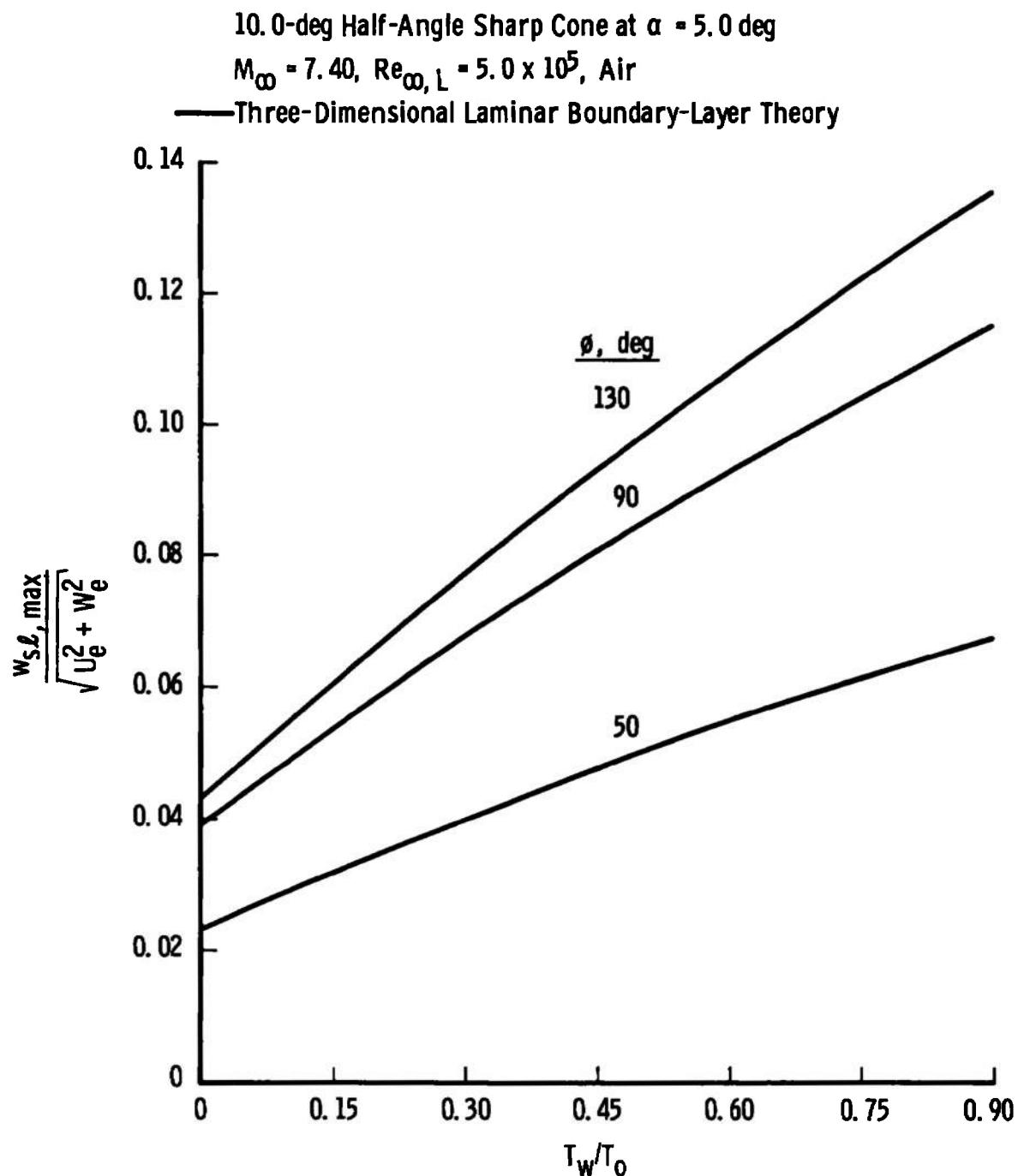


Fig. 14 Effects of Wall Temperature on Maximum Crossflow Velocity in Boundary Layer

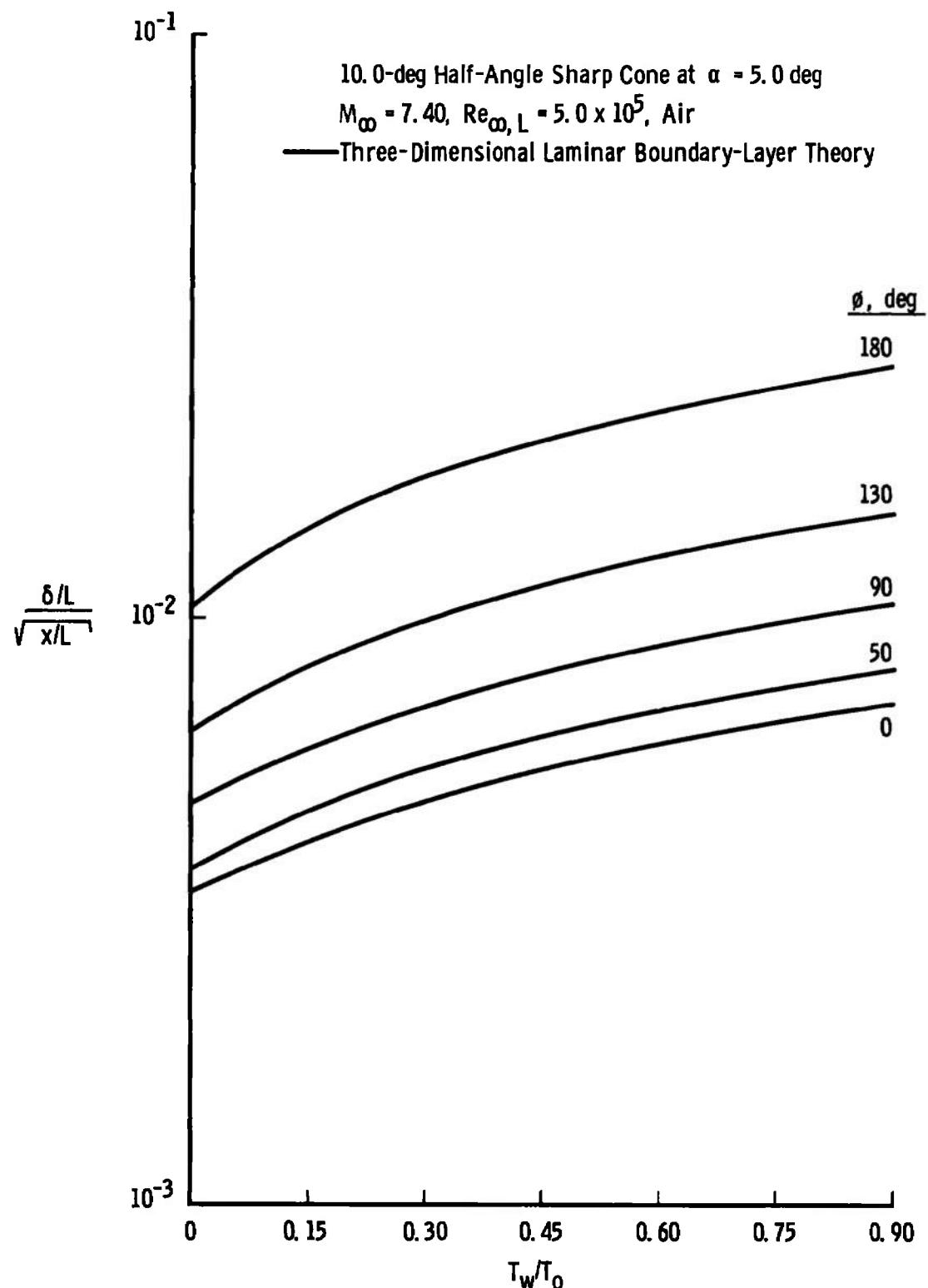


Fig. 15 Effects of Wall Temperature on Boundary-Layer Thickness

TABLE I
LAMINAR THREE-DIMENSIONAL BOUNDARY-LAYER PROFILES AT
 $\phi = 90$ DEG FOR $\delta_v = 10$ DEG AND $\alpha = 5$ DEG

y/L	u/U_e	w/W_e	T/T_e
$\sqrt{x/L}$			
0	0	0	2.086220E00
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1.390330E-05	4.320000E-03	3.582000E-02	2.096420E-00
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 $U_e/V_\infty = 0.96685$ $W_e/V_\infty = 0.07493$ $P_e/P_\infty = 3.51520$ $T_e/(V_\infty^2/R) = 0.32155$

Free-Stream Conditions

 $M_\infty = 7.40 \quad Re_\infty L = 3.0 \times 10^6$

Wall Temperature Ratio

 $T_w/T_\infty = 0.28570$

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1.931870E-15	1.759400E-12	4.047700E-12	2.064410E 00	
2.500410E-15	1.495100E-02	4.744700E-02	2.075470E 00	
3.108260E-15	1.455500E-02	5.724100E-02	2.088760E 00	
3.752330E-15	2.237000E-02	9.271100E-02	2.101260E 00	
4.453730E-15	2.644000E-02	1.095600E-01	2.114140E 00	
5.19740E-15	3.070000E-02	1.270100E-01	2.128100E 01	
5.994380E-15	3.460000E-02	1.456100E-01	2.144190E 00	
6.844760E-15	4.031100E-12	1.652300E-01	2.159490E 01	
7.7697340E-15	4.554100E-02	1.959100E-01	2.175490E 01	
8.733760E-15	5.112000E-02	2.074500E-01	2.193410E 00	
9.787270E-15	5.706100E-02	2.095500E-01	2.212460E 00	
1.091120E-14	6.339000E-12	2.553200E-01	2.231300E 00	
1.211640E-14	7.012000E-12	2.915700E-01	2.253020E 01	
1.347490E-14	7.724000E-12	3.405000E-01	2.271420E 00	
1.479590E-14	8.496000E-02	3.765000E-01	2.292460E 00	
1.628430E-14	9.309000E-02	3.664100E-01	2.315460E 01	
1.789130E-14	1.011600E-11	3.478100E-01	2.338460E 00	
1.959720E-14	1.111000E-11	4.074400E-01	2.351160E 00	
2.143930E-14	1.204000E-01	4.522000E-01	2.374160E 00	
2.341770E-14	1.313500E-01	5.012700E-01	2.411140E 00	
2.554304E-14	1.425000E-01	5.349100E-01	2.436710E 00	
2.782620E-14	1.544500E-01	5.711000E-01	2.462490E 00	
3.0277910E-14	1.671500E-01	6.118800E-01	2.494940E 00	
3.291430E-14	1.806700E-01	6.613900E-01	2.515320E 00	
3.574450E-14	1.957400E-01	7.0747700E-01	2.545160E 00	
3.874750E-14	2.103100E-01	7.494300E-01	2.587700E 00	
4.204910E-14	2.266300E-01	7.909300E-01	2.593300E 00	
4.555240E-14	2.444200E-01	8.433700E-01	2.617440E 00	
4.931140E-14	2.624400E-01	8.915400E-01	2.646670E 00	
5.333920E-14	2.820000E-01	9.4632700E-01	2.662140E 00	
5.765460E-14	3.027100E-01	9.944200E-01	2.6541370E 00	
6.227250E-14	3.247300E-01	1.034700E 00	2.697810E 00	
6.7272830E-14	3.489000E-01	1.087500E 00	2.710430E 00	
7.247620E-14	3.725100E-01	1.1347400E 00	2.719740E 00	
7.809940E-14	3.984700E-01	1.1934900E 00	2.723760E 00	
8.405860E-14	4.257000E-01	1.2251500E 00	2.722090E 00	
9.039280E-14	4.542500E-01	1.2664100E 00	2.713380E 00	
9.7094620E-14	4.8441900E-01	1.3245700E 00	2.694240E 00	
1.041700E-13	5.151100E-01	1.3385900E 00	2.674310E 00	
1.116090E-13	5.472300E-01	1.3674500E 00	2.641300E 00	
1.194050E-13	5.803600E-01	1.3911400E 00	2.597440E 00	
1.275460E-13	6.141400E-01	1.4084100E 00	2.545330E 00	
1.359940E-13	6.484400E-01	1.4184900E 00	2.441540E 00	
1.447270E-13	6.836800E-01	1.4221800E 00	2.407170E 00	
1.537110E-13	7.175100E-01	1.418800E 00	2.324240E 00	
1.629900E-13	7.511600E-01	1.4064200E 00	2.272390E 00	
1.722470E-13	7.844400E-01	1.3780400E 00	2.126600E 00	
1.817000E-13	8.161400E-01	1.3631200E 00	2.017290E 00	
1.912120E-13	8.4601700E-01	1.3321100E 00	1.941370E 00	
2.007360E-13	8.736800E-01	1.2977400E 00	1.7454140E 00	
2.102340E-13	9.967800E-01	1.2594800E 00	1.675940E 00	
2.196750E-13	9.210400E-01	1.2204500E 00	1.655590E 00	
2.290580E-13	9.402500E-01	1.1811900E 00	1.462250E 00	
2.383750E-13	9.632390E-01	1.1444600E 00	1.367630E 00	
2.476520E-13	9.465300E-01	1.111400E 00	1.243400E 00	
2.569310E-13	9.794700E-01	1.0816100E 00	1.211020E 00	
2.662710E-13	9.465600E-01	1.0575500E 00	1.151070E 00	
2.757470E-13	9.922300E-01	1.0377100E 00	1.103400E 00	
2.854460E-13	9.957400E-01	1.0233800E 00	1.067240E 00	
2.954610E-13	9.978100E-01	1.0134700E 00	1.041224E 00	
3.058860E-13	9.999000E-01	1.0071300E 00	1.023600E 00	
3.168120E-13	9.995900E-01	1.0034200E 00	1.012450E 00	
3.263250E-13	9.998600E-01	1.0014500E 00	1.006100E 00	
3.405100E-13	9.999600E-01	1.0005500E 00	1.002600E 00	
3.534260E-13	9.999900E-01	1.0001700E 00	1.000480E 00	
3.671400E-13	1.000000E 00	1.0002500E 00	1.000320E 00	
3.817120E-13	1.000000E 00	1.0003100E 00	1.000000E 00	
3.972000E-03	1.000000E 00	1.000200E 00	1.000020E 00	
4.136620E-03	1.000000E 00	1.000100E 00	1.000000E 00	
4.311620E-03	1.000000E 00	1.0000200E 00	1.000000E 00	
4.497640E-03	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	
4.695370E-03	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	
4.805570E-03	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	
5.129010E-03	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	
5.766520E-03	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	
5.615000E-03	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	
5.877390E-03	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	
6.172690E-03	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	
6.475940E-03	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	
6.798320E-03	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	
7.141000E-03	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	1.000000E 00	

TABLE III
LAMINAR THREE-DIMENSIONAL BOUNDARY-LAYER PROFILES AT
 $\phi = 90$ DEG FOR $\delta_v = 10$ DEG AND $a = 8$ DEG

y/L	u/U_e	w/W_e	T/T_e	
$\sqrt{x/L}$				
0	0	0	1.034180E 00	
4.421820F-06	2.680000E-03	1.041000E-02	1.043260E 00	
9.144820F-05	5.420000E-01	2.026100E-02	1.052444E 01	
1.41500E-05	0.455300E-13	3.041110E-02	1.062444E 00	
1.353600E-05	1.176100E-12	4.026100E-02	1.073600E 00	Inviscid Edge Wall Vel.
2.534690E-05	1.521000E-02	6.088000E-02	1.094820E 01	$U_e/V_e = 0.85692$
3.150950E-05	1.080700E-02	7.030000E-02	1.098650E 01	$W_e/V_e = 0.12003$
3.610300F-05	2.274100E-02	9.047100E-02	2.030500E 00	$T_e/T_p = 0.47510$
4.151000E-05	2.699100E-02	1.067200E-01	2.022140E 00	$T_e/(V_e^2/R) = 0.02302$
5.26500E-05	3.131000E-02	1.031000E-01	2.035800E 00	
6.077120F-05	3.400000E-02	1.012000E-01	2.050310E 00	
6.941760F-05	4.100000E-02	1.007000E-01	2.052420E 00	
7.667720E-05	6.330000E-02	1.011100E-01	2.071240E 00	
8.854820E-05	5.700100E-02	2.024700E-01	2.047740E 00	
9.922910E-05	5.040400E-02	2.048700E-01	2.011500E 00	
1.105240E-04	6.447000E-02	2.055400E-01	2.133100E 00	
1.222420E-04	7.012000E-02	2.0714400E-01	2.151170E 00	
1.359460E-04	7.462000E-02	2.097200E-01	2.171370E 00	
1.500040E-04	8.640000E-02	3.0273100E-01	2.191600E 00	
1.655820E-04	9.689400E-02	3.0534000E-01	2.212220E 00	
1.812770E-04	1.035100E-01	3.0787400E-01	2.233120E 00	
1.986550E-04	1.129200E-01	4.015400E-01	2.246330E 00	
2.173140E-04	1.225400E-01	4.031400E-01	2.279120E 00	
2.372490E-04	1.336100E-01	4.047700E-01	2.312340E 00	
2.548550E-04	1.4449400E-01	5.0229400E-01	2.3320160E 00	
2.81497100E-04	1.557100E-01	5.047400E-01	2.339020E 00	
3.087860E-04	1.700100F-01	5.099400E-01	2.3774120E 00	
3.334330E-04	1.937100E-01	5.0405400E-01	2.391020E 00	
3.622460E-04	2.094300E-01	5.0024400E-01	2.4222170E 00	
3.927550E-04	2.1313100E-01	5.0254400E-01	2.4445400E 00	
4.2571100E-04	2.104400E-01	5.048400E-01	2.449160E 00	
4.611500E-04	2.448000E-01	5.0151100E-01	2.4645110E 00	
4.985500E-04	2.4671300E-01	5.04591100E-01	2.4916670E 00	
5.395460E-04	2.466600E-01	5.0772400E-01	2.5224490E 00	
5.8262840E-04	3.085500E-01	5.0538400E-01	2.5466300E 00	
6.294340E-04	3.294000E-01	1.0068230E 00	2.557480E 00	
6.791340E-04	3.523300E-01	1.0166230E 00	2.561930E 00	
7.319240E-04	3.727200E-01	1.0141160E 00	2.573370E 00	
7.892240E-04	4.143700E-01	1.0134510E 00	2.575110E 00	
8.486370E-04	4.111600E-01	1.0176410E 00	2.5764370E 00	
9.112390E-04	4.261600E-01	1.0214400E 00	2.5864440E 00	
9.744710E-04	4.406100E-01	1.0251400E 00	2.552310E 00	
1.04041400E-03	5.217700E-01	1.0281300E 00	2.518370E 00	
1.123390E-03	5.634500E-01	1.0391400E 00	2.4485120E 00	
1.201140E-03	5.8711100E-01	1.0371400E 00	2.4424940E 00	
1.282210E-03	6.204700E-01	1.0473300E 00	2.4711570E 00	
1.366340E-03	6.5551700E-01	1.0574000E 00	2.3307100E 00	
1.452330E-03	6.495700E-01	1.0614905E 00	2.2604940E 00	
1.542860E-03	7.733700E-01	1.0397490E 00	2.1413100E 00	
1.634410E-03	7.5147300E-01	1.0741350E 00	2.1441510E 00	
1.727590E-03	7.0001700E-01	1.0372420E 00	2.0001100E 00	
1.821970E-03	6.2121300E-01	1.0211400E 00	1.3119170E 00	
1.917110E-03	8.505500E-01	1.0284730E 00	1.744340E 00	
2.017620E-03	8.7771300E-01	1.0224130E 00	1.6444440E 00	
2.104160E-03	9.4322400E-01	1.0222130E 00	1.5424490E 00	
2.203550E-03	9.339400E-01	1.0188460E 00	1.4747400E 00	
2.2997130E-03	9.4259400E-01	1.0155140E 00	1.4727400E 00	
2.392730E-03	9.5511400E-01	1.0123170E 00	1.4119170E 00	
2.486820E-03	9.7071100E-01	1.0144500E 00	1.2515140E 00	
2.584620E-03	9.4664000E-01	1.0149210E 00	1.1411130E 00	
2.681550E-03	9.4745100E-01	1.0164400E 00	1.1244000E 00	
2.784420E-03	9.4247100E-01	1.0131400E 00	1.0484730E 00	
2.882100E-03	9.055100E-01	1.0123400E 00	1.0574730E 00	
2.987490E-03	9.4794000E-01	1.0111400E 00	1.015130E 00	
3.097520E-03	9.090500E-01	1.0084400E 00	1.020310E 00	
3.21300E-03	9.4951100E-01	1.0102400E 00	1.1102280E 00	
3.335200E-03	9.4944000E-01	1.0042120E 00	1.003130E 00	
3.466110E-03	9.4944000E-01	1.0004400E 00	1.0322200E 00	
3.461030E-03	9.4994000E-01	1.0001100E 00	1.0000540E 00	
3.744440E-03	1.0000000E 00	1.0000440E 00	1.0000440E 00	
3.740040E-03	1.0000000E 00	1.0000110E 00	1.0000110E 00	
4.065110E-03	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	
4.239740E-03	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	
4.445300E-03	1.0000000E 00	1.0000110E 00	1.0000110E 00	
4.422550E-03	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	
4.493220E-03	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	
5.755110E-03	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	
5.292040E-03	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	
5.544180E-03	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	
5.911160E-03	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	
6.094200E-03	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	
6.394710E-03	1.0000000E 00	1.0000110E 00	1.0000110E 00	
6.722290E-03	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	
7.052120E-03	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	
7.425490E-03	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	1.0000000E 00	

TABLE IV
LAMINAR THREE-DIMENSIONAL BOUNDARY-LAYER PROFILES AT
 $\phi = 90$ DEG FOR $\delta_v = 15$ DEG AND $\alpha = 5$ DEG

y/L	u/U_e	w/W_e	T/T_e
$\sqrt{x/L}$			
0	0	0	1.498070E 00
3.194780E-05	2.120400E-13	4.790100E-03	1.514600E 00
6.460630E-05	4.094500E-13	1.011100E-02	1.511100E 00
1.028930E-05	7.771300E-13	2.057700E-02	1.511100E 00
1.7414170F-05	17.663700E-12	4.664600E-02	1.511100E 00
1.433000F-05	1.373700E-02	4.659700E-02	1.514600E 00
2.274490F-05	1.703300E-02	6.137000E-02	1.543300E 00
2.745710F-05	2.455400E-02	7.345100E-02	1.552000E 00
3.257920F-05	2.427000E-02	4.707000E-02	1.552000E 00
3.401570F-05	2.425000E-02	1.010100E-01	1.572100E 00
6.393300F-05	37.243400E-12	1.151000E-01	1.572100E 00
5.4055970E-05	3.700000E-02	1.151700E-01	1.544030E 00
5.472670F-05	4.141000E-02	1.441100E-01	1.605400E 00
6.386750E-05	4.491000E-02	1.457100E-01	1.614200E 00
7.151820F-05	5.236600E-02	1.842500E-01	1.631950E 00
7.971790E-05	5.816500E-02	2.133410E-01	1.645950E 00
8.457490E-05	6.434600E-02	2.645250E-01	1.655930E 00
6.193695E-05	7.992200E-02	2.463430E-01	1.674473E 00
1.0665130E-04	7.797700E-02	2.493120E-01	1.402124E 00
1.1456160E-04	9.441600E-02	2.035400E-01	1.706630E 00
1.305590E-04	9.337100E-02	3.191100E-01	1.723160E 00
1.430710F-04	1.011100E-01	3.159400E-01	1.741570E 00
1.568110F-04	1.104800E-01	3.741300E-01	1.740076E 00
1.7035110F-04	1.205100E-01	4.077000E-01	1.779220E 00
1.4454700F-04	1.302000E-01	4.744100E-01	1.749300E 00
2.131520E-04	1.417400E-01	4.471100E-01	1.919370E 00
2.211970F-04	1.533400E-01	5.009700E-01	1.840270E 00
2.403730E-04	1.454200E-01	5.392400E-01	1.861530E 00
2.4111110F-04	1.794600E-01	5.729100E-01	1.843230E 00
2.833140E-04	1.931600E-01	6.111070E-01	1.905320E 00
3.073970F-04	2.081200E-01	6.495320E-01	1.921190E 00
3.231843E-04	2.741130E-01	6.6114270E-01	1.945400E 00
3.465500E-04	2.411900E-01	7.129000E-01	1.971130E 00
3.500950E-04	2.592100E-01	7.757400E-01	1.992330E 00
6.2227950E-04	2.785200E-01	8.193200E-01	2.012170E 00
4.457470F-04	2.989500E-01	6.413400E-01	2.031490E 00
4.934970F-04	3.206200E-01	6.479700E-01	2.069710E 00
5.133900E-04	3.433900E-01	6.244000E-01	2.045450E 00
5.755670F-04	3.474600E-01	9.464100E-01	2.171720E 00
6.208620F-04	3.435500E-01	1.0391100E-00	2.044450E 00
6.4967950E-04	4.205700E-01	1.0411500E-00	2.045560E 00
7.204840E-04	4.4684700E-01	1.1213700E-00	2.097870E 00
7.751010E-04	4.787100E-01	1.1547800E-00	2.095210E 00
8.130070F-04	5.097100E-01	1.1911200E-00	2.094660E 00
8.942220E-04	5.614400E-01	1.2234200E-00	2.072140E 00
9.597230E-04	4.752000E-01	1.2423200E-00	2.056440E 00
1.7224440E-03	6.693300E-01	1.2731700E-00	2.021240E 00
1.097250E-03	6.441200E-01	1.2851100E-00	1.944130E 00
1.176980F-03	6.793200E-01	1.294600E-00	1.938460E 00
1.247390F-03	7.144500E-01	1.2984400E-00	1.945860E 00
1.222200F-03	7.491700E-01	1.2927400E-00	1.942240E 00
1.407090F-03	7.830400E-01	1.27414700E-00	1.758290E 00
1.485710F-03	4.155600E-01	1.3255400E-00	1.445110E 00
1.573740F-03	8.163000E-01	1.2442100E-00	1.694410E 00
1.658860F-03	3.747400E-01	1.2147400E-00	1.530450E 00
1.744830F-03	9.005000E-01	1.1904700E-00	1.452170E 00
1.231480F-03	9.232300E-01	1.1607500E-00	1.376220E 00
1.914800F-03	9.427200E-01	1.1111200E-00	1.304700E 00
3.004940F-03	9.584900E-01	1.1024400E-00	1.239440E 00
2.195980E-13	6.717400E-01	1.173500E-00	1.141440E 00
2.184540E-03	9.815700E-01	1.1551900E-00	1.132920E 00
2.279110F-03	9.486900E-01	1.1375200E-00	1.043060E 00
2.374370F-03	9.935700E-01	1.0237400E-00	1.051970E 00
2.473200E-03	9.965400E-01	1.1114100E-00	1.038460E 00
2.575700E-03	9.983900E-01	1.0075600E-00	1.022220E 00
2.648150E-03	9.993100E-01	1.0037700E-00	1.012480E 00
2.796050E-03	9.997500E-01	1.0014500E-00	1.005200E 00
2.919620F-03	9.995200E-01	1.0001300E-00	1.002770E 00
3.146420E-03	9.996500E-01	1.0001100E-00	1.002160E 00
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Inviscid Edge Conditions

$U_e/V_\infty = 0.93784$

$W_e/V_\infty = 0.06019$

$P_e/P_\infty = 6.46340$

$T_e/(V_\infty^2/R) = 0.02973$

Free-Stream Conditions

$M_\infty = 7.40 \quad Re_{\infty L} = 3.0 \times 10^6$

Wall Temperature Ratio

$T_w/T_e = 0.28570$

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